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Police chief held after riot in Kabul

NEW DELHI, Jan. 7 (AP) — The police chief of Kabul Province has been arrested and charged with dereliction of duty for failing to prevent the recent rebellion by scores of Afghan policemen, a Western diplomatic source said here Wednesday.

Chief Nayab Khef was arrested Dec. 30, the day after the riot by an estimated 100 to 400 Afghan policemen in downtown Kabul, said the source, who asked not to be identified. Further details on Khef's situation were not available. Four policemen considered ringleaders in the revolt also have been detained while another 80 officers have been confined to barracks, said the source.

The diplomatic report coincided with one late last week from an independent source in the Afghan capital which spoke of a crackdown following the Dec. 29 police riot, including increased patrolling in Kabul by Soviet and Afghan units.

Meanwhile, the feared extension of service that touched off the police demonstration occurred Saturday when the Afghan Ministry of Defense ordered tours of duty of all military and police conscripts extended for six months, said the diplomatic source, quoting a "generally accurate source."

The ministry sweetened the order somewhat by announcing a pay increase for the conscripts, the source said. The amount of the increase was not revealed, but the Afghan government recently announced a 26 percent pay hike for its workers.

The diplomatic source said Wednesday there was talk of a general armed revolt among Afghan security forces if the police and soldiers were not released by the end of this week. One Afghan brigadier told some of his angry troops Monday that defense ministry officials were "working on a solution to the problem and hope to announce it this week," said the source.

"The troops said in reply that they would wait no longer than Thursday for a satisfactory response," the diplomat said. "Some of them reportedly said they would take their guns and head for Pakistan if they were not released."

Libya establishes new 'committee'

PARIS, Jan. 7 (AFP) — A new Libyan People's Committee (government) was announced in Tripoli, including a newly established secretariat (ministry) for atomic energy. The cabinet included Jadhallah Azur Talhi, secretary-general (premier), Abdel Aziz Kowad, atomic energy; Mustah Osta Omar, interior; Ali Abdessalam Triki, foreign affairs and Abdul Salam Zagaar, oil.



IRANIAN CABINET: Iranian Prime Minister Muhammad Ali Rajai introduced his cabinet ministers to Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini. In this picture cabinet members are seen with Khomeini sitting behind them.

Chinese 'special forces' infiltrating border -- Hanoi

HONG KONG, Jan. 7 (Agencies) — Hanoi Wednesday expressed concern at a new dangerous development in border incidents with Peking — the training of Chinese "special forces" who were being sent in growing numbers into Vietnam.

The Vietnamese Commission for Investigation on Chinese "War Crimes," said the commandos had been infiltrating into Vietnamese border areas to make contacts for subversive activities, the Vietnam News Agency reported.

The commission said Chinese troops committed 42 "armed provocations" along the Vietnamese frontier in Dec, killing many civilians, destroying many houses and orchards, and taking away cattle and food.

"China also stepped up psychological warfare and spying activities to undermine Vietnam's internal unity and its relations with Laos and Kampuchea, the commission said in a communique.

Meanwhile, *The Peking Daily* said Wednesday a recent Vietnamese incursion into Thailand from Kampuchea was timed to exert pressure on a meeting of senior officials of the Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) underway in Manila.

Thailand said two of its soldiers were killed when Vietnamese troops penetrated 700 meters into its territory last weekend. Vietnam has rejected the charge.

Swiss may reject U.N.

ZURICH, Jan. 7 (AP) — In an apparent sharp shift in thinking, Swiss voters would be likely to reject a proposal to join the United Nations, according to the most recent public opinion survey about the controversial and long-debated question, U.N. membership, favored by federal authorities, may be put to a nationwide vote within two years.

The poll, conducted in late October and early November for *Die Weltwoche*, a Zurich weekly which published the results Wednesday, indicated 39 per cent of the voters would oppose U.N. membership, 32 per cent would favor it and 29 per cent of those questioned said they were undecided. The previous *Die Weltwoche* poll, conducted in June 1979, indicated proponents outnumbered opponents by 46 per cent to 31 per cent, a year before that, U.N. membership was endorsed by 49 per cent to 34 per cent.



RIPPER HUNT: British Police Constable Robert Hyde, 32, and Sergeant Robert Ring, 48 who arrested Britain's most wanted man, the supposed Yorkshire Ripper, Lorry driver Peter Satchell who was later charged in court for murder. The supposed ripper is believed to have murdered 12 other women in Leeds, England. He was in a car with false number plates while the policemen were patrolling the area on anti-vice duty.

A neighbor of the suspected ripper said that Satchell "had made two recent lorry trips to Europe and he was worried about leaving his wife alone in an area where the ripper was still at large" (Story p.9).

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U.S. warned against 'buying time' Hostage move rejected

TEHRAN, Jan. 7 (AFP) — Official spokesman Behzad Nabavi Wednesday rejected for the moment any transfer of some of the 52 American hostages to Algeria in the event that Washington met only part of Iran's demands governing their release.

Nabavi reiterated at a press conference that the hostages will be put on trial if Iran is convinced that the United States did not want to comply with parliament's conditions for freeing the hostages and is instead trying to

buy time. He said he could not say whether the three hostages recently transferred from the foreign ministry are with the other 49 hostages. Their place of detention is secret, he added.

Asked about Tuesday's statement by Prime Minister Muhammad Ali Rajai about accepting Algerian good offices in the affair, Nabavi said Algeria had not made any commitment going beyond its role as intermediary. "The Algerian government," he said,

has handed the Iranian authorities a communique taking into account the positions of both sides on the hostage question. But that does not mean that Algeria has made a proposal off its own. Algeria had also agreed that U.S. financial guarantees to Tehran be deposited in its care, he said.

Nabavi, Iran's chief negotiator in the hostages affairs, did not reply when asked to confirm reports that Iran had accepted the principle of the latest U.S. offer on the hostages. He did say, however, that "once the problem has been clarified, I shall tell you what has happened." An informed source, meanwhile, reported "progress" in the Algerian-mediated U.S.-Iranian talks. But it was pointed out that Tehran had not yet received the U.S. response to Tehran's most recent request for clarification.

But fierce battles rage Counter-attack blunted

BEIRUT, Jan. 7 (AP) — Iraq said Wednesday it blunted Iran's counter-offensive at the slopes of the Zagros mountains and trapped charging Iranian infantry in a strategic hold at the war-conquered oil province of Khuzistan.

Iran said the counter-attack put the Iraqis to a chaotic flight leaving the Khuzistan and Gilan-e-Gharb war zones littered with hundreds of burned tanks, armored cars and armored personnel carriers.

"So sudden was the charge that the Iraqis had no time to put up the resistance once their forward live armor was swiftly annihilated," said Hojatoleslam Ali Khomeini, personal representative of supreme leader Ayatollah Khomeini on Iran's Supreme Defense Council.

He said the two-day onslaught has turned the tide of the war in Iran's favor. "The enemy's strong defensive positions have been almost entirely crushed around Ahwaz and Susangerd and there is no place in southern Khuzistan left for the Iraqis to make a stand at," he said. "Our forces can continue to drive down to the border. The offensive definitely must continue."

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, although he made no direct reference to the latest clashes, called for peace and blamed Iran for the war.

Iran said its counter-attackers drove Iraqi invaders further back in the two major theaters of the 108-day-old war, with President Abulhassan Bani-Sadr moving his battlefront headquarters to a newly-recaptured area in Khuzistan. The claims could not be independently verified as no reporters have been allowed into the front since Iran announced its counter-offensive Monday in the strategic heights of Gilan-e-Gharb in western Iran and in Khuzistan.

There was no firm word from either side on the size of grounds won or lost in the Iranian offensive, now in its third day, despite claims of hundreds of fatal casualties by both.

An army spokesman in Baghdad said Iraqi forces have surrounded an attacking infantry force supported by tanks just south of the Iranian key highway town of Susangerd, 32 km east of the Iraqi border in western Khuzistan.

The state radio quoted the spokesman as saying the surrounding force was being pounded by helicopter gunships and tanks and that the Iranian counter-offensive was "rapidly running out of steam."

Iran claimed two Iraqi armor brigades were wiped out and 2,000 soldiers captured in the two-day onslaught at the two major theaters of the 107-day-old war on the northern flank of the Gulf.

Iraq said its infantry backed waves of rocket-firing helicopter gunships, "swiftly and efficiently dealt away with enemy harassment attempts," killing 100 troops.

The newspaper attributed the shift in feelings to the seizure of American diplomatic personnel in Iran, the unmediated war between Iran and Iraq and the Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan and the U.N.'s inability to resolve those matters.

Neutral Switzerland and Liechtenstein are the only Western countries outside the U.N. Switzerland belongs to all specialized agencies of the world organization and is site of the U.N.'s largest European offices.

King meets educators Kingdom stabilizing factor, reports Reagan's daughter

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 — Maureen Reagan, daughter of the president-elect, has described Saudi Arabia as "the stabilizing factor in the Middle East today," and hailed the Kingdom's friendship with the United States as "extremely important."

King Khalid received a delegation of directors of girls' education in the Kingdom. The directors, who are holding their annual conference here, were introduced by Sbeikh Rashed ibn Khunain, director general of girls' education.

In another development, Foreign Undersecretary Sheikh Abdul Aziz Al-Thanyan left for Muscat Wednesday on the first leg of a Gulf tour which will also take him to the United Arab Emirates, Qatar and Bahrain. He told newsmen he will convey verbal messages from King Khalid to the heads of the Gulf states on Arab and Islamic solidarity.

Reagan, who hosts a radio talk show in California, was commenting on a full-page advertisement placed in a number of American newspapers this past week by the Saudi Arabian Ministry of Information. The advertisement was an expression of holiday greetings and friendship "from the people of Saudi Arabia to the people of America," Reagan, a Republican party activist who is expected to

run for the U.S. Senate in 1982, publicly thanked Saudi Arabia for its best wishes during her radio program on KABC in Los Angeles last Saturday.

Reagan, a former actress, is also executive director of the newly created sell overseas America, the Association of American Export, an organization set up to promote U.S. exports abroad.

Malaysia to attempt peace bid

KUALA LUMPUR, Jan. 7 (AFP) — Malaysia will use the six-day Islamic summit conference starting in Saudi Arabia on Jan. 23 to find a way to get Iran and Iraq to the negotiating table, Foreign Minister Tengku Ahmad Rithauddeen said Wednesday.

He told the senate that Malaysia would work with the other member countries of the organization of Islamic Conference in efforts to resolve the Gulf crisis. He himself recently attended two meetings of Islamic nations at foreign minister level in New York for this purpose, he said.

Malaysian Prime Minister Datuk Hussein Onn had also accepted an invitation from President Zia Ul-Haq of Pakistan, the Islamic Conference chairman, to join a six-member goodwill mission of heads of state

and government to visit Tehran and Baghdad.

The foreign minister said that Malaysia was neutral in the conflict and as such it would not affect Malaysia's relations with the two countries concerned or with other nations.

Test-tube twins due

MELBOURNE, Jan. 7 (WP) — The first test-tube twins, two sets of them, may be born soon in Australia. They are part of a batch of nine embryos successfully fertilized outside the body and then implanted in the womb during experiments at St. Andrew's hospital in Melbourne.

Dr. Carl Wood, professor of obstetrics at Monash University, and Dr. Alan Trounson of Queen Victoria Medical Center performed the experiments. In their first 60 attempts they were unable to get the embryo to "take" in the womb. But after developing new techniques this summer, they have been able to impregnate 13 women in 103 attempts since June, according to a report in the British journal *New Scientist*.

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To coordinate Gulf efforts

Vocational directors recommend committee

RİYADH, Jan. 7 (SPA) — Thirty directors of vocational and technical training institutes from Arab Gulf countries recommended the establishment of a special body on vocational and technical training within the Arab Gulf Education Bureau. The new body would follow up and coordinate cooperation and integration schemes among the countries concerned in the field of manpower training.

The directors, who wound up a seminar here on Tuesday also recommended that extension units in agricultural and industrial training be affiliated to the proposed body along with an editing and translation office that would issue periodical bulletins on manpower training in the Gulf.

Another recommendation would have each Arab Gulf state set up one higher council for vocational training to avoid duplication

of efforts in the training of skilled manpower. The directors stressed the necessity of drawing up national manpower plans with an aim to harmonize the education of youths at various educational levels with the countries' economic and industrial development plans and requirements.

The directors also recommended coordination among vocational and technical training programs in Arab Gulf countries based on a field study to be undertaken by the Arab Gulf Education Bureau. They also recommended the exchange of vocational textbooks and similar material among Gulf states. All efforts should also be made to avoid the "vocational instructors drain" by reviewing work conditions and performance every occasionally and improving the material and moral incentives given them.

Other recommendations included the

standardization of vocational training levels and certificates and cooperation among Gulf countries to set up joint technical training institutes in which studies would center on technology for the countries' needs.

An annual contest would be held among vocational and technical training schools in which research papers would be written and projects defined by the committee will be carried out. The Arab Gulf Education Bureau would prepare the contest. Also an annual exhibition of vocational and technical training in the Gulf should be held every year, the directors recommended.

The directors decided to hold their next seminar in Iraq, then annually in a different member state. They cabled their thanks and appreciation to King Khaled, Crown Prince

Fahd and Prince Abdullah, the second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard, for the warm welcome and generous hospitality extended to them throughout their stay in Saudi Arabia.

In his farewell speech, Dr. Muhammad Hamed Al-Mutabbagani, director general of vocational and technical training in Saudi Arabia and chairman of the seminar, said the delegates had visited the model agricultural institute and the secondary vocational training school in Unaizah during their tour of Qasim province. Those two schools, he added, could be taken as a model for advanced scientific training methods. The forthcoming seminar, he added, will center on the ways to attract students to vocational and technical training to serve their respective countries' developing planning.

Islamic influence discussed

UPM sponsors lectures

By Jean Grant
Al Khobar Bureau

AL KHOBAR, Jan. 7 — The department of architectural engineering of the University of Petroleum and Minerals presented two public lectures this week by distinguished visiting architects: Dr. Fazlur Rahman Khan, designer of Chicago's Sears Tower, the world's highest structure in the '70s; and Prof. Ian McHarg, chairman of the department of landscape architecture at the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Khan discussed the influence of Islamic Arab architecture on non-Islamic building on Monday. The following evening, Prof. McHarg, author of *Design with Nature* lectured on the design of cities.

A seminar on the Muslim student was held at UPM December 22-24. Opened by UPM Rector Bakr Abdullah Bakr, the seminar was attended by deans of student affairs throughout the Kingdom. Other dignitaries present included Dr. Abdullah A.M. Al-Turki, rector

of Imam Muhammad ibn Saud University in Riyadh; Sheikh Turki Al-Sudairi, chairman of the Civil Service Bureau, Riyadh; and Muhammad Hussein Zaidan, the eminent historian.

Among recent visitors to the university were Chang Yie-Joon, Korean ambassador to the Kingdom; Prof. Edward Keenan, dean of graduate studies, Harvard University. The ivy league school dean met Dr. Bakr, and Dr. Dabbagh, director of the university's research center.

Meanwhile the UPM industrial administration faculty is organizing, in cooperation with Petromin, a training session for planning methods, evaluation of projects through administrative methods and feasibility studies in the market, controlling the quality and quantity of work and using computers in planning and carrying out projects.

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INSPECTION: Brian Bryce, president of the Hyatt Regency Hotels, paid a short visit to the Kingdom as part of his inspection tour to the Middle East Hyatt Regency hotels recently. Bryce, invited by Dr. Gaith Rashad Pharon, has left for Cairo. Left to right are: Bryce, John Richard, Maharram Hilal, Mustafa Bakri, Dr. Gaith Pharon and Saleh Itani, the regional manager of Hyatt Regency in the Kingdom.

Harakan in Islamabad

ISLAMABAD, Jan. 7 (SPA) — Sheikh Muhammad Ali Al-Harakan, secretary general of the Mecca-based Muslim World League, arrived here Tuesday to attend meetings of the League's Asian Coordination Bureau.

The conference will be attended by representatives from the United Arab Emirates, Turkey, Pakistan, Afghanistan, China, the Philippines, Japan, India, Indonesia, Malaysia and Bangladesh. They will discuss the propagation of Islam in Asia, the establishment of a league's bureau in Asia, the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, and the problem of Muslim refugees in Asia.

Meanwhile, Sheikh Muhammad called on

all Imams in Pakistan to let Islamic world support in the Afghan freedom fighters be the theme of their Friday speech in all mosques in the country.

Sheikh Zia Uddin Babakhanov, the mufti of Turkistan, has sent a cable apologizing for not being able to attend the conference since the Soviet government does not allow Muslims to take part in such meetings.

Before he left the Kingdom for Pakistan, Harakan also urged all speakers who will address Muslims after Friday prayers throughout the Kingdom this week to devote their speeches to the same issue. In earlier statements, Harakan urged Muslims all over the world to support Crown Prince Fahd's call for Jihad (holy struggle). Once Muslims are united, they can liberate their holy places and repulse occupation.

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Goukouni ends visit to Tripoli

Libya, Chad agree on merger

BEIRUT, Jan. 7 (Agencies) — Libya and Chad said Tuesday that they have agreed to merge into a single state and vowed to help each other fight any attacker.

unspecified number of military experts to Chad, a former French colony, "to help safeguard security and reinstate peace, which came as a result of the end of the civil war."

helped Goukouni's forces rout the rival troops of former Defense Minister Hissene Habre last month in the 15-year civil war.

Since military coup

32,537 'terrorists' detained in Turkey

ISTANBUL, Jan. 7 (AP) — Turkish security forces have arrested 32,537 terrorist suspects in a nationwide crackdown since the military takeover Sept. 12, the daily Milliyet reported Wednesday.

The newspaper said soldiers and police recovered 168,140 firearms, including 757 automatic weapons — 908,374 rounds of ammunition — 2,100 kilos of gunpowder — 951 dynamite sticks and 632 explosive devices.

The communique said that the two countries would open their common borders. This would enable Libyans and Chadians to circulate freely and help bring about the merger, it added.

BRIEFS

CAIRO, (AFP) — Somali Vice-President Gen. Muhammad Ali arrived here Tuesday with a message for President Anwar Sadat about developments on the border between Somalia and Ethiopia, sources said here.

TEL AVIV, (AFP) — Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin Tuesday asked a group of visiting British Conservative Party MPs to try to halt a European initiative aimed at solving the Middle East crisis, it was reported here.

PARIS, (R) — Former Egyptian War Minister Abdul Gbani Gamassi, 60, underwent scanner tests in a Paris hospital Tuesday following a brain haemorrhage in Cairo last week, sources close to his doctors said.

ABIDJAN, (R) — Nigeria has given Libya 48 hours to close down its mission, Lagos radio said. The radio, monitored in Abidjan, said the decision by the Nigerian government followed an announcement by the Libyan diplomatic mission in Lagos that the embassy was being transformed into a people's Bureau.

RABAT, (AFP) — Arsalane el Jadidi, the Moroccan Minister of Employment and professional training, left here Tuesday for Stockholm for an official visit to Sweden that is expected to include talks on Moroccan workers there.



IN AMMAN: King Hassan of Jordan (center) receives former British Prime Minister Edward Heath (left) at the Royal Court Sunday. Ammar Khammash, the court minister, is on the right.

Schmidt, Hassan discuss Mideast

MARRAKECH, Jan. 7 (AP) — West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt Tuesday met King Hassan II to discuss the Middle East. Schmidt arrived earlier from the Canary Islands where he had been vacationing with his family.

The Moroccan King is president of an Islamic conference committee that is studying ways to free Jerusalem from Israeli control. Other topics were to include the conflict over the former Spanish Sahara, the Iraq-Iran war and a European-Arab dialogue, the sources said.

Begin hits Egypt's ban on newsmen

TEL AVIV, Jan. 7 (AP) — Prime Minister Menachem Begin has denounced the banning of an Israeli newspaper's correspondents from Egypt, saying Israel "cannot tolerate this kind of discrimination."

shakeup in the Egyptian leadership because of a power struggle between President Anwar Sadat and Vice-President Hosni Mubarak.

In a statement issued Tuesday night by Begin's spokesman Dan Pattir, the premier said Egypt was free to deny or disprove news stories it did not like.

In the latest installment of the series, reporter Anan Safadi detailed the differing views taken by Sadat and Mubarak on peace with Israel. It said that where Sadat believed in bringing about normal ties with Israel to the Jewish state into making concessions toward the Palestinians, Mubarak believed normal ties should be instituted only after Israel had taken the first step toward the Palestinians.

New cabinet posts created in Egypt

CAIRO, Jan. 7 (R) — Egyptian President Anwar Sadat Tuesday made minor additions to his cabinet, creating two new economic ministers of state and giving an extra portfolio to the minister of state for culture and mass media, Mansour Hassan.

minister responsible for finance, the economy and planning.

Hassan was appointed minister of state for presidential affairs in addition to his current portfolio, the broadcast said. He held the same post in the government of former Prime Minister Mustapha Khalil.

Hussein is currently chairman of Egypt's capital market authority and Nouredin a professor of economics and politics at Cairo University.

Lebanon opposes bid to settle Palestinians

BEIRUT, Jan. 7 (R) — Lebanon will reject all attempts to settle Palestinian refugees in the country, President Elias Sarkis said Tuesday. Addressing an annual reception of the diplomatic corps, Sarkis said talks about refugees was often accompanied by talk about partitioning Lebanon, but the country was determined to reject both.



President Sarkis said Lebanon was seeking to preserve its territory in the face of "various kinds of Israeli aggression in the south" and would never agree to sacrificing land.

Clergymen urge U.S. to cut aid to Israel

NEW YORK, Jan. 7 (AP) — About 400 American clergymen, including several bishops and some celebrities, are calling for the United States to reduce its aid to Israel because of violations of human rights.

The statement was to be delivered Wednesday to the Israeli embassy in Washington and sent to President Jimmy Carter, President-elect Ronald Reagan and other officials.

It charges Israel with violations of various principles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in the West Bank, including torture, annexation of territory, property seizure and destruction, arbitrary arrests and collective punishment.

We call upon our government to reduce aid to Israel until she recognizes the human rights of the Palestinian people."

Signers of the statement included four united Methodist bishops, two of them retired, a retired episcopal bishop, also Antiochian Orthodox metropolitan Philip Saliba.

We urge the American and Israeli governments to recognize the right of Palestine to self-determination, including an independent state in the West Bank and Gaza if they so decide," the statement says. It says mutual accommodation between Israeli Jews and Palestinian Arabs can only result from negotiations between the close friendship of both parties and called for negotiations between the United States and the PLO as also between Israel and the PLO.

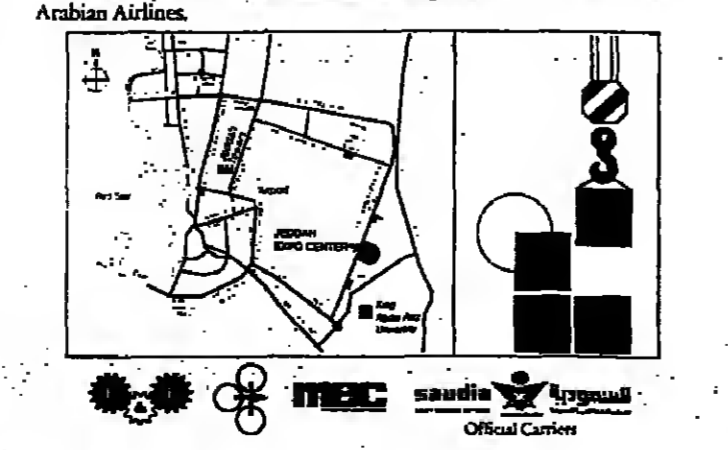
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Earthquake in southern Italy

Experts probe seismic risk

By Louis B. Fleming

LIONI, Italy (LAT) — Earthquake experts around the world are combing through the rubble at Lioni and other shattered towns of southern Italy, trying to learn lessons that might prevent such a death toll in future.

Engineers from California have examined the autostrada, or highway, north of here to see why bridges and viaducts remained undamaged in contrast with the collapse of California freeway bridges at Sylmar in 1971 and at Enserka last November. Luis Escalante, an engineer with the Los Angeles

able to remain in their dwellings. Only 15 per cent of the buildings are considered mendable. But the people, most of them, are reluctant to go. They are living in a Red Cross train on a siding by the old station and in tents and small camping trailers that line the streets. The town barber is in a tent and so is the pharmacist.

The extent of the suffering has been hard in measure, but there is tragedy beyond the 4,000 dead and 300,000 homeless left by the Nov. 23 quake. Experts are learning as much from mistakes as from successes. The most conspicuous failing was the lack of an emergency organization. What organization

thousands of refugees are still in "temporary" barracks 13 years after an earthquake there.

Stratta and Escalante were members of an American technical team drawn jointly from the American Academy of Sciences and the Earthquake Engineering Research Institute. They are now back in the United States.

"We have not picked up anything new that is outstanding," Stratta said before flying to Washington. The primary cause of casualties has been the older rubble stone houses. The heavy masonry has little seismic resistance. That caused the majority of the problems." In Avellano, 20 miles west of here, no building constructed according to seismic safety codes collapsed, officials at disaster headquarters in Naples said. But the code was not applied here. Lioni was placed outside the seismic danger area, reflecting the gap between Italian scientists and politicians. Every building here was damaged.

The Naples-to-Bari autostrada, which skirts the critical quake area, was not damaged, because durability had been put ahead of beauty in its construction, according to the chief design engineer, Guido Boldoni.

Instead of the graceful pillars he used on the autostrada in Naples, where seismic risk is less, he used heavy reinforced concrete blocks to support the viaducts, and he reduced spans between supports to no more than 131 feet, shorter than usual here. Because of the seismic risk, dramatized by the earthquake of 1962, the separate spans are linked with special rigid connections to translate horizontal force from an earthquake to the solid shoulders at each end of the viaducts.

Surface roads show multiple cracks. There was widespread subsidence, with roads sometimes settling as much as a foot where they join bridges. But no bridge or overpass failed.

American surveyors found nothing unique in the Italian freeway design, according to Stratta. He noted that some Italian freeway bridges collapsed in the 1976 earthquake in Friuli, in northeast Italy, although the autostrada had not been completed at the time. The California freeway collapses occurred because the bridges were subjected to greater force, Stratta said.

The key problem in learning lessons from earthquakes is that they are all different. Much depends not only on the energy of the quake but also the location and the depth in the earth of the epicenter, the type of rock formation and the resulting frequency of the waves.

Electrical service was restored in this region with remarkable speed for several important reasons. "No major generating center was affected because none was located near the epicenter," Escalante said.

Blackouts, Escalante found, were due primarily to the failure of ceramic bushings in transformers in distribution stations, where high voltages are stepped down to consumer levels. Only one aqueduct was closed, and it was quickly repaired. But water was shut off in most areas of the quake region for fear of contamination.



VILLA INA SHAMBLES: The ancient Roman villa of S. Marcius in Stabia struck by an earthquake last November.

department of water and power and part of a four-member American survey team, has traced the lifelines of water, power, sewage and communications to find the breaking point and to understand why simple ceramic regulators fractured, blacking out entire towns.

"In Lioni you can see the structural problem, how concrete frames withstood seismic action but the walls failed, and how the infilling of hollow tile walls lessened seismic resistance," James Stratta of the earthquake engineering research institute in Berkeley, Calif., said.

Only a handful of the 800 families living in Lioni the night of the quake might have been

there had disappeared in large measure in the first seconds of the quake as communication lines were broken.

Now much of the officials' energy is being diverted to police duty as the Camorra — the organized crime ring in this part of Italy — moves in to try to get a share of the relief and reconstruction money. One mayor has already been shot dead in an incident thought to be connected with building irregularities.

American aid officials have made supervisory a priority for their \$50-million aid package. "It is much easier to raise money than to spend it wisely in this region," one official said.

It was the same as in Belice, Sicily, where



QUAKE BAVOC: A lone man walks amidst the debris in a street of Balvano in southern Italy after a killer quake destroyed the region.

Ban on newsmen in South Africa

By Jack Foiste

JOHANNESBURG (LAT) — The recent "banning" of two black journalists and the continued shutdown of three black newspapers has raised questions about the desire of Prime Minister Pieter W. Botha to alleviate racial friction in South Africa.

The journalists, Zwelakhe Sisulu and Marimuthu Subramoney, who are leaders of a union of black newspaper workers, were banned for three years under the country's internal security act. The banning order restricts them to their homes at night and bars them from receiving visitors except parents and a doctor. During daytime hours they can neither engage in activities as journalists or unionists nor attend any social or political gathering. Under the law, no reason for the banning order need be given, and none has.

The two men had just led their union in a successful two-month-long strike against the white management of some English-language papers intended primarily for black readers. As a result, their union, the Media Workers Association of South Africa, was recognized by the newspapers' owner, the Argus Co., which also said there would no longer be discriminatory salaries for black employees.

When the agreement was announced Dec. 23, the government issued an order prevent-

ing the papers from reopening until they had re-registered with government authorities, a procedure required because the papers had not published during the two months of the strike. The government action will prevent a resumption of publication for about three weeks and require payment of large fees.

The banning of Sisulu and Subramoney — a peculiarly South African form of punishment — has been condemned by many government opponents. Dr. Nathso Motlana, a community leader in Soweto, the all-black workers' suburb of Johannesburg in which the Argus newspapers have circulated, said: "The two men were in the prime of their journalistic careers. It is outrageous that they have been silenced." Alex Irwin, a white trade unionist, said that "by resorting to totally unacceptable security legislation to deal with labor disputes, the government is destroying the credibility of its labor (reform) legislation, not in South Africa but internationally as well."

Sisulu, 30, was coeditor of the Sunday edition of *The Post* formerly *The World* and also resident of the Media Workers Union. Its membership included most of the 260 black reporters and editors in South Africa. Sisulu had taken a controversial stand, saying that for a black journalist in South Africa objectivity is not possible. He exhorted his fellow workers "to be blacks first and journal-

ists second." "In our situation the question is not whether one is a collaborator-propagandist (one who writes what a white superior tells him to write) or a revolutionary collaborator," Sisulu said recently. "If expressing the aspirations of our people is propaganda, then surely we are propagandists."

His union once restricted its membership to black, colored (South Africans of mixed race) and Indian newspaper workers. All non-whites are subject to legalized discrimination under the country's minority to a fellow journalist, Patrick Laurence, Sisulu believes that whites, even newspaper workers holding liberal views, do not understand, or care deeply enough, about black problems.

The other banned journalist, Subramoney, 35, a radio reporter and contributor to the African services of the British Broadcasting Corp., lives in Durban on the Indian Ocean coast. He is also the regional secretary of a union in that area.

In the past several years, the government has jailed two black journalists and banned seven others, and six have fled into exile. Except for a Zulu-language paper in Durban, there are no major black-owned papers in South Africa, and black journalists are employed only on English-language newspapers. Papers published in Afrikaans, the language of the original white Dutch settlers, do not employ blacks in the editorial departments.

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Will Reagan disappoint L. America dictators?

By Hugh O'Shaughnessy

LONDON — Gen. Augusto Pinochet is waiting with bated breath for the coming of President Ronald Reagan on Jan. 20 and the dawn of a new U.S. policy toward Latin America. So are Gen. Alfredo Stroessner in Paraguay, Gen. Jorge Videla in Argentina, Gen. Romeo Lucas and many other authoritarian rulers up and down the region.

They are hoping that he will be as good as the words he uttered during his election campaign and will bury President Carter's human rights policies which have caused them so much trouble and exposed them to so much opprobrium in the past four years.

They look forward to a time when Washington will take them on their own valuation as respectable members of the Western alliance, who are sometimes regrettably obliged to torture and oppress their opponents in the cause of preserving Western values.

At the same time, the new left-wing government in Nicaragua and Grenada, as well as the Marxist-Leninists in the Castro government in Havana, are bating down the hatches in the expectation that the Reagan government will put heavy pressure on them and may even try new forms of destabilization

against them.

Reagan's victory could, according to many in Latin America, shift the political balance of the region strongly to the right, put paid to decades to hope for social progress and confirm the autocratic status quo which is to be found in many Latin American countries.

Some say that the shift has already started. They point to the fact that President Jean-Claude "Baby Doc" Duvalier in Haiti has begun rounding up liberal opponents, safe in the knowledge that his opponents in the Carter administration have little time left to move against him and that President Reagan is unlikely to criticize him.

Similar thinking could have promoted President Forbes Burnham in Guyana to carry out the most blatant exercise in ballot rigging in the elections on Dec. 15.

It would well be that Reagan will not in the event prove to be half as soft on dictatorship as his pre-election speeches built up to be. His advisers have been pointing out that his policies will have to be worked out in the light of the events of the moment. But however Reagan's policies turn out, strong political forces in the Old World are taking no chances and are trying to ensure that reform movements in Latin America are not going to be buried under any new right-wing backlash presenting itself

as a campaign against communism.

Last November, for instance, Social Democratic leaders meeting in Madrid set up a committee for the defense of the Nicaraguan revolution which has among its leading figures Willy Brandt, the former German chancellor, Felipe Gonzalez, the Spanish Socialist leader and Bruno Kreisky, the Austrian chancellor.

As the only major threat to the Nicaraguan revolution could come from the U.S. it is clear against whom the new committee is aimed. Lest the political point be lost, the committee held its first meeting earlier last month in Washington.

The Social Democrats also threw their weight behind the left-wingers fighting those Latin American dictators whom Reagan might be tempted to favor. European support for change is not confined to the Social Democrats. European Christian Democrats have also backed Latin American Christian Democratic colleagues who are opposing Pinochet's dictatorship and the military regimes of Latin America.

As a consequence Reagan, if he shifts U.S. policy too drastically to the right in Latin America, could see a big gulf opening up between Washington and Europe as the Europeans dissociate themselves from him and pledge their help to the forces of change and reform in the region.

Portugal PM promises conciliation

By Mary Chalmers

LISBON — The choice of a liberal 43-year-old journalist as Portugal's prime minister is moving the country's politics into a new, conciliatory phase. Francisco Pinto Balsemão has promised an end to the present era of bitter confrontation between the ruling center-right coalition and the president and parliamentary opposition.

The newly elected Social Democrat leader succeeds Prime Minister Francisco sa Carneiro, who died in an air crash on Dec. 4.

Sa Carneiro had formed the ruling alliance of Social Democrats, Christian Democrats and monarchists into a seemingly invincible political steamroller, capable of crushing all political obstacles. At the time of his death, after 11 months in office, he was no longer on speaking terms with President Antonio Ramalho Eanes and was determined to flatten parliamentary opposition to his proposed constitutional reforms.

Pinto Balsemão, however, enjoys good personal relations with the president and has invited the opposition Socialist Party to reach a consensus with the ruling alliance on revising the constitution. Reforms are essential to bring the constitution into line with the national charters of other Western democracies before Portugal's planned entry to the Common Market in 1983.

A more conciliatory style of government is being forced on the alliance not only by the loss of its powerful and dynamic founder but also because it suffered a traumatic shock with the re-election of President Eanes, who was labeled by sa Carneiro as pro-Communist.

Serious cracks are beginning to appear in the coalition, whose Christian Democrat junior partners distrust Balsemão as being too liberal. Christian Democrat leader Diogo Freitas do Amaral has refused to enter the new cabinet.

Alliance politicians guffaw in private at Balsemão's assertions that he will form a strong government to rule for the full four-year mandate of the present parliament.

Renewed political violence feared in Nepal

By Sumanda Datta-Ray

CALCUTTA — Advocates of parliamentary democracy in the last surviving Hindu monarchy have reacted angrily to King Birendra's attempt to foist them off with minor political reforms. A package deal announced last month from the Kathmandu Palace, landlocked Nepal's real seat of government, promised that 112 out of 140 members of the National Assembly would be directly elected on the basis of universal adult franchise (the other 28 being the king's men) and that legislators would elect a prime minister who would appoint his ministerial colleagues and be responsible to the assembly.

But rejecting the conventional distinction between government and opposition benches, Birendra ruled that the prime minister would have to be supported by 60 per cent of members. If no one qualifies, there will be a run-off between the two candidates with the highest number of votes. If this fails to produce a prime minister, the king will choose one from a panel of three names suggested by the assembly.

"We cannot welcome these amendments because we consider them undemocratic and not enough to meet the aspirations of the people today," was the verdict of Krishna Prasad Bhattarai, acting president of the Nepalese Congress, the kingdom's biggest and best organized political party, which some Nepalese suspect of being guided by New Delhi.

The party president, Bishwaswar Prasad Koirala,

67, is in hospital in New York. But Koirala, who was prime minister for 19 months in 1959-60 before Nepal's first and only experiment with Westminster-style democracy was snuffed out by the late King Mahendra — had already announced that he would accept nothing short of full parliamentary government.

When leaked reports of the royal proposals reached him, the former premier dismissed them as "reactionary."

The Nepalese Congress led seven weeks of rioting and violence in 1979 to force the king to dismantle his governmental system, based on the traditional Hindu hierarchy of elected councils, which allowed the palace to take all important decisions. Under pressure, and in a bid to save his throne, Birendra announced a referendum in which 45 per cent of voters demanded parliamentary democracy, the majority being content with a reformed version of the existing system.

The king promised the changes announced last month even before the referendum's outcome was known, and does not appear to have taken much notice of the recommendations of a constitutional reforms commission whose proposals were submitted in September.

Many Nepalese felt that the commission was in any case loaded, since only one of its 11 members favored the Westminster system. They also complain that the government used its resources to campaign for the existing structure. It is pointed

out, too, that a blanket ban still forbids all forms of political activity (Koirala's party is technically an illegal organization) and that 38 journals were proscribed under a recent ordinance on the press.

Nepal is a poor country with very little industry, but it is handsomely subsidized by India and the West. The suspicion is that much of the aid lines the pockets of members of the royal family and courtiers, instead of being put to public use.

The not-too-often-mentioned defense against all this is that distribution of power, especially to the Socialist Nepalese Congress, would increase Indian meddling and might even lead to the kingdom's absorption by India, as happened to the adjoining Himalayan kingdom of Sikkim in 1975.

This fear explains why King Birendra's new constitution also formally lays down that Nepal will be "a zone of peace," meaning that it will remain neutral between India and China. The concept was mooted several years ago and has been recognized by 17 countries, including Britain, but India still adamantly refuses to consider it.

New Delhi's view is that the kingdom lies entirely within the Indian security system, and that if India's territory has to be defended against China, it must be along the string of mountain peaks along Nepal's northern boundary with Chinese Tibet. The claim is as unacceptable to Birendra, as are the pretensions of the Nepalese Congress. His rejection of both suggests that the throne might be in for another round of violent agitation.

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Saudi Arabian Press Review

Most newspapers Wednesday gave lead coverage to the preparations for the Mecca Islamic Summit Conference — prominently mentioning the letters exchanged between King Khaled and the Ruler of Kuwait and saying the level of representation would be finally determined within the next 48 hours. In a lead story, *Okaz* quoted Arab League Secretary General Chadi Klihi as saying the Arab Reconciliation Committee has succeeded in its mission, while *Al Riyadh* led with the order of Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and head of the National Guard, to invite international tenders for the implementation of the first stage of the housing project for National Guard's personnel.

In a front-page story, *Al Bilad* reported Iranian spiritual leader Ayatollah Khomeini's approval of the Algerian proposals concerning the U.S. hostages, while *Al Jazirah* quoted Iraqi President Saaddam Hussein as sending a renewed call to Iran to agree to negotiate on the dispute between the two countries.

Al Jazirah also gave page one highlight to King Khaled's messages to the leaders of four Gulf states, to be delivered by Sheikh Abdul Aziz Al-Thunayyan, undersecretary of the Foreign Ministry. The call by the National Council of the United Arab Emirates to Iran to return the three occupied Arab islands formed an important front-page story in *Al-Yom*. The Minister of Information's confirmation that the events of the Islamic summit would receive comprehensive media coverage received front-page attention in most newspapers.

Newspaper editorials reiterated that the Islamic summit would turn out to be a meeting of achievements as it is expected to adopt stances to deter the enemies especially the Zionists, the Communists and the colonialists who are both the enemies of God and Islam. Some editorials dealt with the Arab Reconciliation Committee's mission and its preliminary results, which augured well for the clearance of Arab atmosphere from mutual rifts and differences. Israeli Premier Begin's faltering government and its financial and moral scandals formed the topic of discussion in some papers which expected the Begin government to fall even before U.S. President-elect Ronald Reagan takes office late this month.

Highlighting the importance of mutual consultations, *Al Medina* observed that this kind of approach facilitates many a problem in a peaceful and prudent manner. Consultation is an Islamic way of approach and, therefore, Saudi Arabia greatly relies on this method, said the paper, adding that the King Khaled's personal contacts with the leaders of Islamic states aim at the realization of Muslim aspirations. Saudi Arabia's dedicated efforts would continue with a view to bringing the summit conference to success, especially when there is a prevailing trend in the Islamic world to contribute toward the success of the conference, it said.

In an editorial, *Al Bilad* said Saudi Arabia adopts a clear approach in promoting the Arab and Islamic stance, and since this country is completely convinced of the usefulness of constructive consultation and

dialogue, it always endeavors to play a pioneering role to boost understanding and efforts for the success of the summit conferences. The countries of the world watch with interest the political, diplomatic and economic activities of Saudi Arabia, and so they know it in advance that the Kingdom's efforts would be channeled to achieve the maximum results for the welfare of Arab and Islamic states.

In an identical tone, *Al-Yom* noted that the Islamic world pinned great hopes on the coming summit, and its optimism has prompted the Muslim leaders to exert ceaseless efforts to clear the atmosphere and to pave the way the mapping of a new strategy through which the Islamic world would be able to confront the challenges of its enemies. The paper referred to the Iraq-Iran conflict and urged them to take prudent steps and to make honest efforts to forget their differences. It is necessary to work in such a way as to satisfy the two sides and restore their rights without taking recourse to war and bloodshed, the paper said, and added that the coming Islamic summit would be a historic meeting when the participants come up to the level of their responsibilities.

Okaz discussed the efforts of the Arab Reconciliation Committee and said the initial results spell hopes for its success in bringing a rapprochement among the disputing Arab states.

Al Riyadh took notice of the Israeli government scandals and expected the Begin administration to fall even before U.S. President-elect takes oath of

office late this month. The paper held the conviction that scandalous government of Premier Begin provides an indication that this racist entity has begun to dwindle. Although Begin is trying to find an exit from

the crises he is facing, it seems difficult for him to succeed in his endeavors as the situation is swiftly deteriorating and he cannot stop the government's collapse, said the paper.



Alleg "autonomy" faces the "surgeon" *Al-Medina*

Arab News Diary

By Raana Siddiqi

JEDDAH — Sultan Ghaleb and Sultana Al-Qu'aiti have been blessed with a little girl, Bura December 28 at the Sulaiman Fakeeh Hospital, Muzna is now nicely settled at home with her parents and an older brother and sister. Her lovely name means rain-bearing clouds in classical Arabic. Call it a coincidence but it was drizzling the morning she was born!

Paintings by a group of ten French artists will be on display at the Redec Plaza from January 10 to 20 in the morning from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and in the after-noon from 5 to 10 p.m.

British Community Wives January meeting will be held Monday, January 12, at 4:30 p.m. in the Ambassador's garden. Children are welcome at this meeting.

The Al-Khairyah Women's Welfare Society on Mecca Road will present "Saudi Day" Wednesday, January 14, at 7 p.m. The program, according to the organizers, includes everything Saudi from food to traditional costumes, an exhibition of antiques and a presentation of Saudi folklore and wedding ceremony. This is a great opportunity for expatriate women to catch a glimpse of Saudi tradition and customs. Hurry to obtain your tickets from the Khairyah offices on Kilos 3 (not far from Hotel Meridien).

The Faisaliyah Women's Welfare Society will present a program featuring the famous local singer Etah Thursday, January 15 at the Meridien. The program includes sale of food and begins around 9 p.m.

Thursday, January 15, is also the day of

Pakistani Bazar in aid of the Pakistani School. The bazar will be held at the Pakistan Embassy (three streets north after the Jeddah Shopping Center). Doors open at 3 p.m. On sale will be spicy food, beautiful clothes, exquisite handicrafts, games for children and lots more. Open only to women and children.

Continental Adult College of Education (CACE) new term begins Saturday, January 24. Separate courses for men and women include, besides learning Arabic, English and French, such interesting subjects as pottery making, keep fit yoga, karate, and guitar playing. Registration period is from January 17 to January 20 from 7-9 p.m. Further information concerning CACE may be obtained during registration.

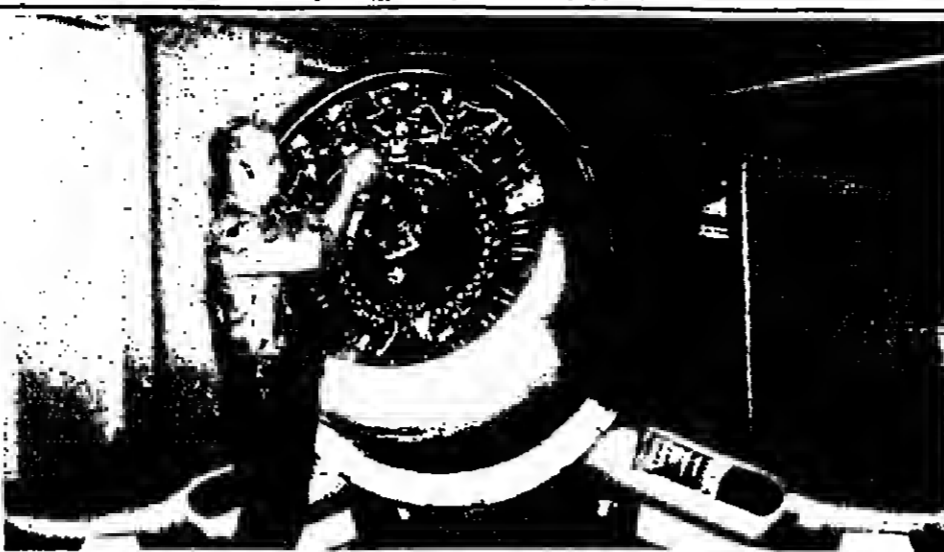
EASTERN PROVINCE

By Jean Grant

Sixty Dhahran residents were visiting Nairobi at the time of the Norfolk Hotel fire which killed 16 and figured 83. Kathy Stohl and Dick Lawton led the Cassa tour to east Africa. Frank and Virginia McKibbin had a particularly close brush with the Norfolk disaster. They had enjoyed a soda at the Norfolk Hotel that afternoon, and planned to return there in the evening for dinner. Fortunately, and planned to return there in the evening for dinner. Fortunately, and planned to return there in the evening for dinner. Fortunately, and planned to return there in the evening for dinner.

Aramco's third annual "Stop Smoking Week" gets off to a fine start Friday, January 9, at the third street track in Dhahran. Aramco carries its message not only to the fit, but also to its TV addicts, with such messages on the small screen as "smoke gets in your eyes... lungs... heart." The Aramco "stop smoking campaign" follows hard on the heels of their "Driver Safety Month." Some Aramcos, however, had their mind on more aesthetic matters! The Dhahran Desert Bloomers African Violet Group held its 1981 membership drive and leaf swap last Tuesday. A admission was one healthy African violet leaf.

Those who enjoy armchair adventuring have two treats in store for them this coming week. Saturday, January 10, Gene Watrin will speak on a trek of fabled Mount Annapurna in Nepal. The mountain has claimed the lives of several who have attempted to scale its lofty peaks, so it should be a lot safer to hear Watrin than to venture off on one's own struggling up its heights. Then Monday, January 12, Boh Gaw will present a slide show on Malaysia, land and people. Both talks are presented by the Dhahran Outing Group (D.O.G.) at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium next to the Aramco snack bar.



RESTORING FIGHTER: Charles Parmley of the Smithsonian national air and space museum puts the finishing touches on a Corsair fighter.

At Smithsonian museum

Old aircraft never die

By Louis Hull

WASHINGTON, (SNS) — It sounds like a standard scene from one of those slapstick movies which pretend that war is funny. But this actually happened.

An aircraft technician in a workshop outside Washington, D.C., had just begun dismantling the engine of an aged warplane when he discovered a frayed, yellowing scrap of paper: "What in the hell are you looking for in here, you silly...?" There was a logical answer, but one which might have surprised the anonymous second world war pilot or crew chief who, in a whimsical moment, had tucked the note in the engine's innards. The technician was looking for missing parts, searching for information on the plane's history and seeking to restore it — not to fly off on other missions but to go on public display.

The technician was, in fact, a "conservator," a term used by museum people to describe craftsmen who restore and sometimes rebuild relics of the past. He was at work in a facility which serves the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum in Washington, D.C. There is an urgency in his task and that of his 27 fellow craftsmen. Although fewer than 80 years have passed since the Wright brothers first fulfilled the age-old dream of flight, many priceless planes have been lost forever.

The plane whose engines hid that challenging note, for example, was a Corsair, of the type immortalized by Maj. Gregory "Pappy" Boyington and his colleagues of the Marines' Black Sheep Squadron. It was a superb aircraft for its era. The Black Sheep fliers alone scored 97 confirmed victories, 32 probable victories and 21 destroyed aircraft in the ground in the war in the Pacific. Overall, the Corsairs were credited with downing 2,140 Japanese planes. But today, of all the Vought

F4U Corsairs built by a nation at war, fewer than 50 remain.

"Baa Baa Black Sheep," the popular television series based loosely on the war record of Boyington's squadron, naturally stressed the daring exploits of the pilots. The task of restoring the Corsair which reached the Smithsonian, in contrast, was a job of dogged determination and almost dull routine. The plane, like every aircraft put through the Smithsonian conservation process, had to be taken apart before it could be put back together again. When it was completely dismantled, the parts took up a tenth of the floor space of the 36,000-square restoration shop in Silver Hill, Md.

Charles Parmley, a conservator who has been working on aircraft for 37 years, carried out much of the Corsair restoration project. Because the fabric had totally rotted away (not an uncommon occurrence), Parmley had to locate identical fabric and saw it to the aircraft frame by hand. The stitch he used, incidentally, had originated with the folks who manufacture baseballs but has long since been adopted by the aircraft industry.

Although the Smithsonian's Corsair had not actually been in combat (it had been a training plane), it was scarred by the passage of time, and many parts were missing. Where possible, they were replaced by the real article. But if genuine parts could not be found, even by cannibalizing other planes, they were reproduced with the same materials, the same tools and the same techniques as those used back in the 1940s when, 11,000 Corsairs rolled off the assembly lines.

Sometimes, the mechanics seeking to reproduce a missing part cannot find one or

Arid zone planner suggests Underground housing

By Kathy Land

BRISBANE — "Go underground, young man" may be the advice which architects of the future give those who have to cope with the climate trials of life in hot, dry regions such as Saudi Arabia. According to an American expert in arid zone planning and design, underground settlements can make a major contribution to the quality of life in desert-like regions.

Gideon Golany, professor of urban and regional planning in the Pennsylvania state university department of architecture, recently told a group of architectural students in Australia that underground housing

should be considered in such cases as for workers developing mineral deposits in remote near-desert regions. Golany gave his lecture following a seven-week project in which he led a group of 16 architecture students from western Australia in the design and planning of arid zone settlements. Western Australia is noted for its substantial mineral deposits and vast tracts of desert.

Golany said subterranean housing in hot, dry areas could effect substantial economies while providing much greater comfort. During a visit to the Pilbara region in the dry north-west he had been surprised to find that \$4 million a year was spent on air-conditioning the conventional houses of one township. If the houses had been built partly underground that cost probably could have been reduced by 50 to 75 per cent.

Golany said that eight to 11 meters below the surface of the ground the temperature remained stable in all seasons and through day and night. Because of the daily temperature variations of arid zones, an ideal house design would be a sectioned structure part above ground and part below. The occupants could then move from one section of the house to another in accordance with the outside temperature.

The underground section could be kept cooler by shading the area above with trees or a small flow of water, or both. Planting grass also would have an additional insulating effect.

According to Golany the subterranean house has many advantages. It is safer in both earthquake and cyclonic conditions, less costly to build and maintain, more economical to heat and cool, less noisy, less dusty in desert area, and takes up less space where land use for other purposes is important.

Golany said the idea of underground settlements was not new. There were villages in Turkey going down eight to ten levels which had been there for 2000 years, all connected by a communication network. Others were in northern China, northern Africa and southern Italy. Japan was nowadays building underground shopping centers and the idea of a semi-underground dwelling was catching on in the United States as an energy-saving measure.

The movement, he said, was bound to grow as more people grasped the fact that the earth itself was the cheapest and most efficient form of insulation and that this type of housing had the least negative effect on the environment. Some industrialists were becoming attracted to the idea of underground factories, ensuring freedom from dust and vibration for sensitive machinery and instruments used in some manufacturing processes.

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U.S. panel hearing

Big rise foreseen in defense budget

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (Agencies) — Defense Secretary-designate Caspar Weinberger has said he foresees substantial increases in the Pentagon budget during the Reagan administration. He told Tuesday a Senate Armed Services Committee considering his nomination for the defense post that the United States did not now have the ability

Haig confers with Reagan

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (AFP) — President-elect Ronald Reagan has held a long meeting here with his nominee for Secretary of State, Gen. Alexander Haig. Held on the first day of Reagan's third and last trip to Washington since his election on Nov. 4, Tuesday's visit was the first time the two men have met since Reagan announced his choice on Dec. 16. Future National Security Adviser Richard Allen also attended the meeting.

The discussion touched on the forthcoming Senate confirmation hearings on Gen. Haig. Some Democrats and even some Republicans have called for a close examination of the general's role and conduct at the time of the Watergate scandal, when he was serving as White House chief of staff to Richard Nixon.

"I don't anticipate any problem," Gen. Haig said of the hearings after meeting with Reagan, adding that he hoped the confirmation procedure would not be used as the pretext for reopening the eight-year-old water-gate affair.

Marcos may lift martial law soon

MANILA, Jan. 7 (AP) — President Ferdinand E. Marcos may lift martial law in two weeks time, possibly on Jan. 17 which coincides with the anniversary of the Philippine constitution, informed sources said Tuesday. The eight-year-old constitution which Marcos promulgated on Jan. 17, 1973 vests him with wide powers even after martial law has been lifted.

While mentioning Jan. 17 as a probable date, the sources stressed that Marcos has not made any firm decision on the exact date. The sources said that the possibility of martial law may be lifted later in the month cannot be ruled out. A Manila television, quoting "reliable sources" in a newscast Tuesday night, also mentioned Jan. 17 as a probable "target day" for the end of martial law.

to meet President Carter's commitment last January to counter any Soviet attempt to gain control of the Gulf region.

Weinberger also said the U.S. should only reopen strategic arms talks with the Soviet Union after starting a major effort to close the military gap between them. Commenting on the Strategic Arms Limitation (SALT II) Treaty, in limbo since the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan, Weinberger said it was not in the national interest.

He said negotiations with the Soviet Union should continue in an effort to get a better agreement but it could take "a good six months" for the administration to set an agenda and goals. Arms limitation talks should not be held "until we have very firmly signalled...the beginning of a major effort to close that gap" between U.S. and Soviet military strength.

President-elect Ronald Reagan has said he would seek to renegotiate the SALT II treaty. Asked whether he foresaw substantial increases in the Defense budget, Weinberger replied: "yes, I do." He said he believed the Soviet strategic goal was to achieve a "major imbalance" in U.S.-Soviet strength.

Weinberger, who served in the Nixon administration as chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, budget director and secretary of health, education and welfare, was expected to receive a unanimous recommendation from the committee that the Senate confirm him as Defense Secretary later this month.

Weinberger said he might push for withdrawal of Soviet troops from Afghanistan as part of any deal with the Russians on a SALT II treaty. But, Weinberger also said, that he would not necessarily insist upon the Russian troop withdrawal as a price for the treaty if the agreement was otherwise satisfactory.

He declined to say what he would if the U.S. were unable to secure withdrawal of the troops, but he added that he would not necessarily require such action.

On other subjects, he told the committee: He will try to save defense dollars by improving efficiency and use the savings "to increase our firepower." He will not commit himself to increasing the defense budget to any fixed percentage per year, but will determine each year's needs as required. He thinks wars may still be fought without nuclear weapons, but he will not rule out the use of such weapons in advance because the U.S. ought to be ready "to utilize the strengths that we have" in any war it enters.

Agriculture Secretary-designate John Block said Tuesday the U.S. should embargo exports of food or other products only as a last resort in foreign policy strategy.



OIL POLLUTION: Thousands of birds are dying in the last few days as a result of oil pollution along the coast outside Gothenburg, west Sweden. It's still not known where the oil comes from.

Singapore verdict

Lee Kwan Yew to rule another decade

HONG KONG, Jan. 7 (ONS) — Lee Kwan Yew has run Singapore for the past 21 years and year-end's general election results promise him almost another decade in power, until he retires at the age of 65. It could not be called a cliff-hanger. Thirty-seven of the 75 seats were uncontested and the most optimistic opponents to the ruling People's Action Party expected to carry only one or two of the remaining seats. Workers' Party leader J.B. Jeyaretnam came closest with 47 per cent of the ballot, but for the fourth successive election the PAP swept the board.

"It is getting very monotonous," Deputy Prime Minister Goh Keng Swee remarked before the election. "I hope they (the seven opposition parties) will give us a fight." The thrust of the opposition assault was familiar. The need for "a more caring society," less

arrogance and authoritarianism in government, genuinely independent trade unions, a free press. Their controlled optimism was grounded largely in the appeal of "protest" to 19,000 young, first-time voters, with no remembrance of the troubled, impoverished Singapore of 20 years ago, and an intelligent Singapore suffering from severe claustrophobia.

But the ruling party argued on its achievements — full employment, 10 per cent annual growth, the highest per capita income in Asia outside Japan, cheap housing, wide-ranging social services and stability. There was no refuting these, and discontent with Lee's style of government lost to the appeal of content. The only change was the introduction of 18 new PAP members, most of them technocrats and professionals drafted into its ranks a few months before the election. Lee sees it as a

"renewal" of PAP vitality, and a continuing grooming of future generations of leaders. The promise is that his meritocrats will enable Singapore to tackle problems posed by oil price rises, and speed up the "sophistication" of industry, manufacturing and financial services.

Innocent, says accused

NEW YORK, Jan. 7 (AP) — Mark David Chapman has pleaded innocent to the charges that he killed former Beatle John Lennon. The suspect's lawyer said he would mount an insanity defense.

Chapman, 25, entered his plea during a brief appearance in the Manhattan Supreme Court before Justice Herbert Altman. There were tight security measures at the court. The judge appointed two psychiatrists and a psychologist to examine Chapman.

Malaria vaccine in offing

TORONTO, Jan. 7 (R) — Researchers are close to producing a vaccine for malaria, considered one of the most dangerous diseases, it was reported here Tuesday. Millions die from malaria each year in tropical and sub-tropical zones. A vaccine is being developed by two doctors, Victor and Ruth Nussenzeig, a husband-and-wife team at New York University, with financial support from the Rockefeller Foundation.

Victor told the American Association for the Advancement of Science that it would be years before the vaccine could be tested on humans, although it was tried successfully on mice and monkeys. The disease has become even more dangerous because the mosquito, principal carrier of malarial parasites, has grown resistant to insecticides and some of the parasites have become immune to chloroquin, the malarial.

Heavy hydrogen discoverer dead

LA JOLLA, California, Jan. 7 (AP) — Nobel laureate Harold C. Urey, whose discovery of heavy hydrogen a half-century ago set the stage for the atomic age, died at home early Tuesday. He was 87. A spokesman at the University of California at San Diego, where Urey had taught since 1958, said he died "peacefully of heart problems and old age."

In 1934, Urey won the Nobel Prize for chemistry for his discovery of deuterium, or heavy hydrogen, essential to the development of the hydrogen bomb. It was a discovery he later regretted. Urey was also involved in the Manhattan project, which built the first U.S. atomic bombs during World War II.

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Italian police action

Roadblocks set up to save magistrate

ROME, Jan. 7 (R) — Armed police have manned roadblocks around Rome and combed the area of Lake Bracciano, 40 km to the north, in a desperate attempt to save the life of the kidnapped magistrate. The police refused to say what prompted them to concentrate on that area but admitted that time was running out for Giovanni d'Urso, who was condemned to death after a "people's trial" by Red Brigade guerrillas. In southwest Rome Tuesday, security men fired shots at a car which turned around and fled from a checkpoint, hitting a police bus in the process. The car has not so far been traced and

the police do not know whether its occupants, two men and a woman, were guerrillas or common criminals.

In the latest of their eight communiques since d'Urso was kidnapped on Dec. 12, the Red Brigades said his fate would depend on the decision of the jailed guerrillas, whose views should be published in the national media "without a comma altered." But in a rare show of unity, political parties and newspapers joined in saying they should not make this nor any other concessions to the guerrillas. "The government must respond to terrorist blackmail by declaring once and for all that there cannot and will not be negotiations in any case or any form," said liberal leader Valerio Zanone, whose party generally supports the ruling four-party coalition. Most newspapers vowed that they would refuse to print guerrilla declarations, thus depriving the Brigades of publicity.

But with one voice they condemned a proposed law that would punish with up to 12 years' jail "the diffusion of documents or information having the aim of instigating or condoning terrorism." The law, which stiffens an existing one, could evidently be used against two journalists of the weekly magazine *L'Espresso* who were arrested earlier this week for publishing an interview with d'Urso's captors and extracts from their interrogation of him. Interior Minister Virginio Rognoni, justifying the proposed new law, said: "The press must exercise extreme caution in order to avoid becoming the spokesman for the terrorists."

Zimbabwe's coalition facing fresh strains

SALISBURY, Jan. 7 (R) — Fresh strains have emerged in Zimbabwe's ruling coalition with the minority Patriotic Front (PF) party of Joshua Nkomo demanding the resignation of Finance Minister Enos Nkala. In a statement Tuesday, the P.F. launched a sweeping attack on the economic policies of Nkala, a member of Prime Minister Robert Mugabe's majority ZANU-PF (Zimbabwe African National Union-Patriotic Front).

"The present chaotic and haphazard economic policies of ZANU-PF are benefiting no one but the big capitalists and a small number of rising stars, despite all the 'socialist' speeches," the statement said. "Senator Nkala promised to resign if his policies led to price increases on basic commodities... Senator Nkala should now carry out his threat," it added.

Increased security measures sought in Russia against Iran

MOSCOW, Jan. 7 (R) — The Communist Party chief of Soviet Azerbaijan has called for increased security measures in the southern Soviet Union bordering Iran. The call by Genlar Aliyev, member of the ruling Soviet Politburo, said to be further evidence of Soviet fears that turbulence in Iran could encourage Soviet Muslims living in the south of the country. Aliyev, a one-time KGB (state security) chief in Azerbaijan, was quoted by the republic's party newspaper *Bakinsky Rabochy* as "emphasizing at a recent meeting of local KGB officers the need for increased activity." The newspaper quoted him as saying: "This necessity has been imposed by the complicated international atmosphere, especially in the Middle East region, in states bordering on the Soviet Union's southern frontiers."

the majority of Iranians. Aliyev's call followed publication in *Bakinsky Rabochy* two weeks ago of an article in which the present Azerbaijani KGB security chief, Maj. Gen. Z. Yusuf-Zade, accused the United States of trying to use Islam to subvert Muslim-populated areas of the Soviet Union.

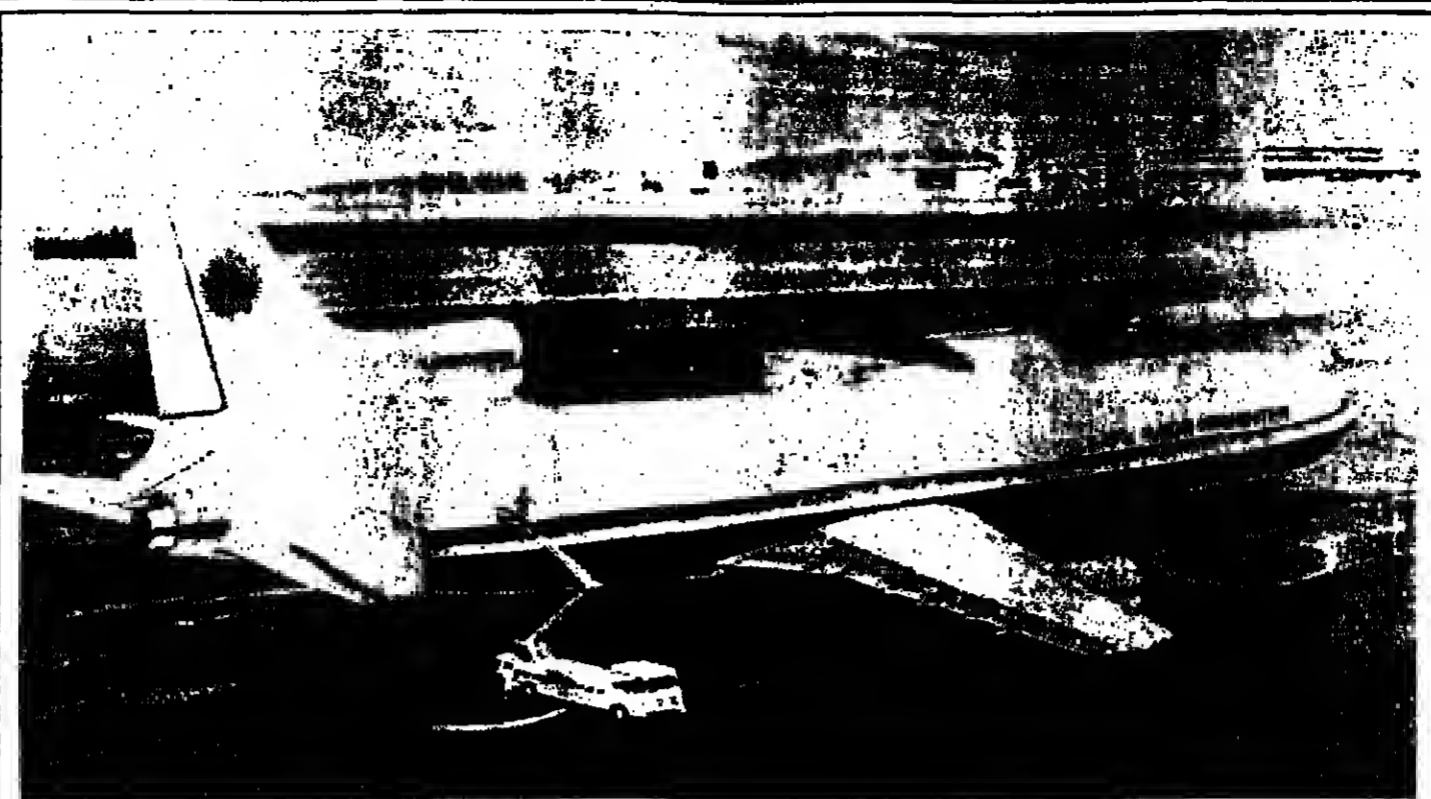


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Doenitz buried

AUMUEHLE, West Germany Jan. 7 (AP) — Admiral Doenitz, one of Germany's most feared World War II naval commanders, was buried Tuesday. The 89-year-old admiral died Christmas eve of a heart attack in his home. Doenitz succeeded Adolf Hitler for 23 days in 1945 and directed Nazi Germany's unconditional surrender at the end of World War II.

Several thousand men and women gathered in snow and ice outside a small brick church dedicated to "Iron Chancellor" Otto von Bismarck. Only 200 persons were allowed inside the church, where an honor guard of highly decorated World War II veterans brought the casket.



HYDROGEN-POWERED PLANE: In an effort to provide an alternative fuel to petroleum, aviation scientists are now working on the idea of developing hydrogen-powered craft. Seen here is how a converted wide-bodied TriStar could appear being filled up by a hydrogen supply truck.

Accused of Yorkshire murders

Father thinks police made a mistake

LONDON, Jan. 7 (AP) — The father of the man held by police investigating the Yorkshire ripper murders took one look at a newspaper report of his son's arrest and said, "Oh my God, it's him," according to an account published Tuesday. "Even now," John Sutcliffe, 58, was quoted by the *London Daily Mail*. "I clutched at any hope that a mistake had been made, that the man with the police was not my son. It could not be the man I knew and loved." The close-knit family had discussed the killings over the years, he was quoted as saying. The news of the arrest of Peter Sutcliffe, a 35-year-old truck driver from Bradford, married for six years to his childhood sweetheart, came just a few days after a particularly happy family gathering, he reportedly said. Sutcliffe and his 30-year-old wife Sonia had hosted a family dinner Dec. 28 for his father, brother Carl and Mick, sisters Jane and Maureen, Jane's boyfriend and Maureen's two children, the paper said. "It was a lovely, warm family occasion," Sutcliffe's father recalled in the interview. "As usual Peter was his attentive self, helping Sonia to prepare the meal, clear the table between courses and then wash and dry the dishes."

It is clear to reporters that they are confident the ripper's five-year reign of terror is over.

Many people in Leeds and other northern England cities that have been the ripper's killing ground appeared convinced Tuesday that he had been captured after seeing jubilant police chiefs beaming with delight Sunday

when they announced Sutcliffe's arrest. But others, noting that Sutcliffe has only been charged so far with one of the ripper's murders, are more cautious. "I won't rest easy until they put the other murders down to him as well," said Jane Garink, a young Leeds housewife.

U.S. to test destructive laser weapon

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (R) — An early mission for the United States space shuttle will be testing an aiming device for a space-based laser weapon that could be used to destroy Soviet nuclear missiles, sources close to the project have said. Under a project codenamed "Talon Gold," the shuttle — a reusable space ship — will test a "pointing and tracking" system vital for the development of laser weapons in space.

The laser test is only one example of the military role for the shuttle, scheduled to make its first flight in March, informed congressional sources said Tuesday. The Defense Department wants to speed up research and development on space lasers after concluding that the Soviet Union is striving to perfect such weapons.

Congressional sources said President-elect Ronald Reagan's defense aides wanted even quicker deployment of the lasers. The sources said lasers appealed to Reagan because they would give defense against a Soviet attack designed to knock out U.S. nuclear missiles before they get off the ground.

Tests on a "pointing and tracking" system were vital, according to technical literature on the subject, because the space-based laser must be able to zero in on missiles hundreds or thousands of miles distant. The laser ray would in theory bore a hole into a missile's hull, causing it to disintegrate in flight.

Both the Soviets and the Americans are already testing laser weapons in the earth's atmosphere, according to government officials. But U.S. specialists were recently ordered to focus on laser deployment in space, they said.

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Britain to raise oil prices to \$40

ABU DHABI, United Arab Emirates, Jan. 7 (R) — British Energy Secretary David Howell has said Britain may raise its North Sea oil prices to \$40 a barrel following recent OPEC tariff increases, the Emirates News Agency (WAM) reported. Pressure by British oil companies to raise prices to these levels was increasing, WAM quoted Howell as saying, Tuesday.

OPEC oil ministers meeting in Indonesia Dec. 16 agreed on a new pricing formula that allows increases of up to \$4 to a maximum rate of \$41 for a barrel of 42 U.S. gallons.

North sea oil now sells at about \$36 a barrel. African oil exporting countries, whose crudes are of the same high quality as Britain's boosted prices Jan. 1 to \$41 in the case of Libya and \$40 for Algeria and Nigeria.

"We follow the world market prices and we will no doubt increase our oil prices, Howell said here during a Gulf tour.

light crude to countries including West Germany and the United States.

London oil industry sources said the British National Oil Corporation is likely to set new British tariffs before the end of this week. Oil analysts in Britain have been speculating that the price of most British oil will not exceed \$40 a barrel with top grades possibly ranging closer to \$41.

Howell said the recent OPEC price decision, which will boost average prices by about 10 per cent, was moderate.

In the meantime, Japan, which depends on imports for virtually all its crude oil needs, aims to cut oil use by about seven per cent in the financial year beginning in April, the International Trade and Industry ministry said Wednesday. The Japanese ministry said much will depend on the weather during the next three months if Japan is to meet its seven per cent conservation target for the current fiscal year.

Bonn calls for EEC treaty to strengthen foreign policy

STUTTGART, Jan. 7 (R) — West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher, apparently heralding a new initiative by Bonn toward the Common Market, has called for an EEC treaty on European union.

Genscher speaking Tuesday, only days after Greece became the 10th member of the EEC, said the accord would be aimed at strengthening the basis for joint foreign policy and thus "increasing the Community's weight as a partner of the United States."

The proposed treaty would also enhance cohesion within the EEC and help the Community psychologically to overcome the difficult problems it faced this year and next, he said.

Genscher, leader of the Free Democratic Party (FDP), junior partners in Chancellor Helmut Schmidt's left-liberal coalition, told so FDP rally in Stuttgart that European union would mean extending Community policies which resulted from the existing treaties of Paris and Rome.

As well as a common European foreign policy, there should be coordination in defense, a "harmonizing" of legislation, and

closer cultural cooperation, he said.

"These demands are all not new and can be found in many documents, but the time is ripe to translate them into reality," he said. Genscher's proposals come at a time when the Community is involved in a complex legal row over a supplementary budget contribution for 1980. The dispute could force the EEC commission to take Belgium, France and West Germany to court.

His talk of internal EEC problems was also taken as a reference to the key issues of reform of the costly EEC farms policy and the budget, which this year reaches its spending ceiling.

It was not enough, he said, to seek the answer to current challenges in arguments over market regulations and disputes between different Community bodies.

"A Europe which understood itself only in such terms would be treading the path of ruin ... Europe needs a new political impulse," Genscher said.

The call was seen as a follow-up to Chancellor Schmidt's government policy declaration in November, when he said West Germany was out of sight of the goal of European union.



NOSE TO NOSE: Bernard Lathiere of France, left, president of Airbus Industrie, pointing out features of the wide-body jets produced by the multinational European consortium to John C. Emery, Jr. Emery Air Freight and president of the Wings Club, Lathiere told a wings club group in New York recently that the purchase of 11 Airbus jets by Saudi Arabian Airlines, Jeddah, pushed the number of planes currently on order over the 300 mark.

Inflation's behavior baffles U.S. analysts

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7 (WP) — Last year was one of broken records and extremes for the economy. It showed how volatile economic developments have become, and how wrong forecasters can be. It saw interest rates — a barometer of the economy — climb to record levels in the spring, plunge swiftly during the summer and then surprise almost all the experts by soaring to a new record level last month.

The nation's output dropped in what was described as a "free fall" in the late spring, as the long awaited and predicted recession hit with a vengeance. But the economy proved more resilient than expected and industrial output bounced back after the sharpest recession on record.

Inflation is clearly working on the economy in ways that are not completely understood, a year ago, analysts and policy makers were confounded by continued consumer spending in the face of declining real incomes. Rather than trim spending as inflation eroded pay checks, many Americans decided to spend money quickly before it lost record low, credit demand expanded and the nation was said to be in the grip of "an inflationary psychology."

The fear of inflation then clearly took precedence over that of unemployment. Rather than avoiding an election-year recession at all costs, the administration actually hastened last year's slowdown. After waiting in vain for the economy to turn down by itself, President Carter — together with Federal Reserve Board Chairman Paul Volcker — announced an anti-inflation package last March that knocked the consumer boom on the head, sent interest rates spiraling upward and brought on a steep recession.

Thus, after growing at an annual rate of 3.1 per cent in the first three months of the year, the nation's gross national product shrank by almost 10 per cent, measured at an annual rate, in the second quarter of 1980.

Credit controls, reluctantly imposed by the Federal Reserve Board at the urging of the administration, were far more effective at curbing credit demand than expected or intended. It is likely that the rather mild measures were widely misunderstood, with some people apparently believing that it had become illegal to use a credit card. In any

Year of broken records

event, as the key prime lending rate charged by banks to their best corporate customers climbed to 20 per cent in April 1980, demand for money plunged.

The Federal Reserve has been roundly criticized for the seesawing of monetary policy last year. The introduction of a new method of money control in October 1979, was supposed to ease the FED's job of sticking to its money targets. It was expected to make interest rates somewhat more volatile, but to smooth the path of money growth.

In fact, last year was marked by sharp and extreme movements in both interest rates and the money supply. It turned out to be much harder to steer the money aggregates, even with very flexible interest rates, than the FED had expected. It braked the summer drop in interest rates that followed the plunge in money supply, rather than following the new control method to the letter. But, in retrospect, Volcker believes that the FED should have been even tougher.

Hard on the heels of the recession and fall in interest rates came a rebound in economic activity and the money supply that drove interest rates back up again. It is possible that if the FED had stepped in to stop rates falling so rapidly in June and July, the subsequent spurt in money growth would not have been so marked, and would not have led in turn to such high interest rates at the end of the year.

But there is a lot of truth in Volcker's contention that the swings in money policy were due to the uneven course of the real economy, and the resulting shifts in demand for money, rather than to inherent weakness in the methods of money control. The latest

figures from the Commerce Department suggest that the surge in money growth in the second half of the year reflected a more buoyant economy than forecast.

Far from sliding back into recession in the last few months of 1980, the economy is now thought to have grown during the last three months of 1980 at an annual rate of 4 per cent, after a revised annual growth rate of 2.4 per cent during the third quarter of the year. This helps to explain why credit demand was so strong in the last half 1980.

The unexpected strength in the economy made 1980 a more comfortable year for consumers and wage earners than seemed likely in midsummer. Then unemployment was forecast to go in rising for the rest of the year with leveling out only in 1981 — perhaps at as much as eight per cent of the work force. But instead the numbers out of work have dwindled slightly, from 7.8 per cent in July to 7.5 per cent in November.

As well as being a short, sharp recession, the slowdown last year was remarkably concentrated geographically and sectorally. Housing and autos were hardest hit, with the steel industry also suffering considerably. Although there was a generalized weakness in demand for durable goods in the summer, this was fairly short-lived. Many areas, such as this one, did not really feel much of the recession.

But persistent high inflation, in conflict with the FED's attempts to run a tight, anti-inflationary money policy and a switch to a tighter budgetary stance, is likely to knock the economy back again this year and make the 1980 recovery almost as short-lived as the 1980 recession.

Libya transfers gold from U.K.

LONDON, Jan. 7 (AFP) — Libya imported some 10 tons of gold worth \$200 million from Britain during the first 11 months of last year, including 3.7 tons in November, customs statistics showed here.

This is the first time for a decade that shipments of gold to Libya have appeared in the customs lists. The city of London could only speculate on the significance of the transfers in 1980. Some experts thought Libya might simply be repatriating gold previously sent to London. Others believed the Libyans might

have decided to switch some of their surplus dollars to gold, in the light of the U.S. seizure of Iranian assets in the U.S.

A third suggestion going the rounds was that Libya was acting for Iran. The Iranians are currently dealing through Libya and Algeria to evade U.S. sanctions.

The newspaper *Financial Times* said this last explanation could not be ruled out, although it recalled that Iran, along with Iraq, last year repatriated quite a large quantity of gold directly from London and Zurich.

U.S. bank cuts in prime rate boost market

NEW YORK, Jan. 7 (R) — More cuts in prime lending rates have boosted the stock market again and pushed the Dow Jones industrial average past the 1,000 mark. Chemical Bank of New York lowered its base rate on business loans to 19.5 per cent from 20.5 per cent Tuesday, half a percentage point lower than any other major bank. Chemical ranks sixth in the nation by deposits and was a leader in the move from 21.5 to 20.5 per cent last week.

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The fifth-largest bank, World Guaranty Trust, of New York, cut its prime Monday to 20 per cent from 21.5, and 12th-ranked Marine Midland Bank of Buffalo, New York, also moved to 20 per cent Tuesday.

Wall Street, which has been hoping for interest rates to peak, reacted with a rally on the New York stock exchange which added to Monday's advance of 19.9 points.

Blue-chip and consumer goods issues led the advance, as the Dow Jones industrial average jumped 8.11 points to 1,000.77 at noon.

Wall Streeters had feared that the sharp run-up in interest rates in the last two months of 1980 would choke off the economic recovery from last spring's sharp recession.

The Federal Reserve Board had pushed up interest rates in an effort to slow a rapid rate of growth in the money supply, which was believed above 12.5 per cent.

The FED's latest weekly report on the money supply indicated that the rate of growth may have slowed and demand from business houses for loans had declined.

Wall Street analysts said investors, therefore, could hope that the FED would refrain from further credit tightening in the near future. Analysts said the prospect of lower interest rates would also encourage investors who had feared that business generally would suffer the same fate as the housing and car industries, which saw sales all under the influence of high interest rates.

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Egyptian Pound	—	4.40	4.45
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French Franc (100)	74.00	74.50	74.33
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Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	—	33.00
Philippine Peso (100)	—	—	44.00
Pound Sterling	8.01	8.10	8.10
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Singapore Dollar	—	—	—
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Jabbar sparkles

Lakers pip Bullets

NEW YORK, Jan. 7 (AP) — Kareem Abdul-Jabbar became the National Basketball Association's fourth leading all-time scorer by hitting 22 points in the Los Angeles Lakers' 107-98 victory over the Washington Bullets Tuesday night. He passed ex-Laker Jerry West and, with 25,207 points, now trails only Wilt Chamberlain (31,419), Oscar Robertson (26,710) and John Havlicek (26,395) on the all-time list.

The second spot clearly is well within his grasp, but at the age of 33, can the Lakers' 7-foot-2 center catch Wilt and become No. 1?

"I don't have a big concern about passing Wilt," he said. "I'd like to go out and win the championship one more time. That's more important."

However, since guard Magic Johnson suffered a knee injury in November, the Lakers have posted only mediocre 12-11 record and have fallen seven games behind the Phoenix Suns in the Pacific division race.

Chicago Bulls 108, San Diego Clippers 93: Chicago fell behind by 13 points in the first half but dominated play the rest of the way as Larry Kenon scored 31 points and Reggie Theus added 27. The Bulls have won 12 of their last 16 outings, while San Diego is on a five-game losing streak.

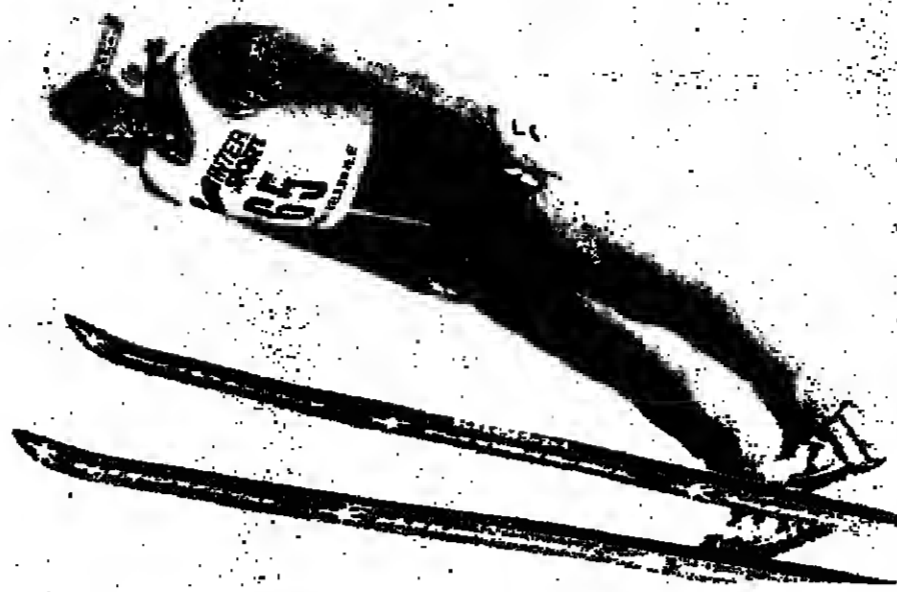
San Antonio Spurs 113, New York Knicks 108: James Silas scored a season-high 33 points and San Antonio shot 61 per cent to extend its winning streak to five games. The Spurs broke the game open with a 16-4 burst

in the fourth quarter in which they held the Knicks to just one field goal in more than six minutes.

Milwaukee Bucks 102, New Jersey Nets 86: Junior Bridgeman scored 16 of his 31 points in the third quarter to help Milwaukee turn a 45-42 half-time deficit into a 79-64 lead going into the final period. Milwaukee has won five in a row while New Jersey has lost its last nine starts.

Phoenix Suns 113, Atlanta Hawks 106: Phoenix posted its ninth victory in the last 10 games, as forward Len "Truck" Robinson scored 33 points. The Suns opened a 15-point lead in the first period and were never caught.

Portland Trail Blazers 110, Detroit Pistons 90: Portland, led by Guards Billy Ray Bates and Jim Paxson, outscored Detroit 25-8 in the first seven minutes of the final period and breezed past the Pistons. Paxson led all scorers with 21 points and Bates finished with 15.



IN THE AIR: Austria's Hubert Neuper soars through the air on his way to victory.

Despite finishing second in final leg Hubert Neuper is champ

BISCHOFSHOFEN, (Austria), Jan. 7 (AFP) — Austrian Hubert Neuper clinched the Four Hills Ski Jump trophy with a second place in the fourth and final leg here Tuesday. His compatriot Armin Kogler who won the final leg with a magnificent leap finished second.

Neuper, silver medalist in the Lake Placid Winter Olympics 90-meter jump, had previously finished second at Innsbruck. He now also takes the lead in the World Ski Jump standings with 77 points, ten ahead of Kogler.

The highlight of the day, however, came with Kogler's jump which beat the previous best set by Austrian Toni Innauer four years ago.

Favorite for the World Cup title, Lake Placid 90-meter jump bronze medalist, Jari Puikkonen of Finland had a disappointing day bringing third.

In Mirzine double Olympic champion Ingemar Stenmark won the men's cup Giant

Slalom to hoist himself up the overall standings.

It was classic Stenmark as the 24-year-old Swede clocked an unbeatable second run time which left 18-year-old Swiss hope Joel Gaspoz in second place and Yugoslavian Bojan Krijaz in third.

But Stenmark would have been hard pushed to continue his astonishing run of Slalom successes had Gaspoz not been so inexperienced. The Swiss skier led the field after the first leg, but nerves seemed to get the better of him as he returned on the second run.

Krijaz's third place, despite a characteristic near fall on the first leg and American Phil Mahre's fourth place, both represented returns to form although the winner at Ebnat-Kappel three days ago, Christian Ortiansky of Austria was disappointed with his tenth place.

The 25 points Stenmark received for his 55th World Cup win lifts him into second place, overall five points behind leader Peter Müller of Switzerland who has 80 points.

The only cloud on his horizon, however, is the steady progress made by World Cup holder Andreas Wenzel after a poor start to the season. Wenzel is now lying third with 67 points after finishing sixth Tuesday.

Sandeep Patil rested

SYDNEY, Jan. 7 (AP) — Dashing Indian batsman Sandeep Patil has been left out of the Indian cricket team for Thursday's Benson and Hedges Cup limited over match against Australia at the Sydney cricket ground.

Sandeep struck on the left temple by a ball from Australian pace bowler Len Pascoe in the first Test at the SCG last Friday, has been rested to give him extra time to make a complete recovery.

His place in the Indian team has been taken by 21-year-old Kirti Azad, who plays the game in the same vein as the man he is replacing.

Sandeep has been a valuable member of the side in the one day games with his excellent batting and handy medium pace bowling, but the Indians will lose nothing in this area with the inclusion of Kirti Azad. Azad is one of the hardest hitting batsmen in the touring party and can bowl some off-spin if required.

Team India: Sunil Gavaskar (captain), Roger Binny, Dilip Vengsarkar, Gundappa Viswanath, Yashpal Sharma, Kirti Azad, Kapil Dev, Syed Kirmani, Karan Ghavi, Yograj Singh, Dilip Doshi, Chetan Chauhan.



IN PAIN: Greg Chappell, takes some tablets from 12th man Graf, during his record breaking innings in the first Test against India at the Sydney cricket ground.

Wimbledon prize-money raised

Beejong Sisson stretches Ball

ADELAIDE, Australia, Jan. 7 (AP) — Left-hander Beejong Sisson put up a tough battle against Australia's Syd Ball before going down in a second round match in the South Australian Tennis Open at Memorial Drive here Wednesday.

Ball, the tournament's seventh seed, was forced to fight for almost two hours before winning the match 7-5, 3-6, 7-5 and advancing into Friday's quarter-finals.

The unheralded Filipino put up stiff resistance throughout the match against his more highly-fancied opponent.

Both players dropped services in the first set. Sisson on the third and eleventh games and Ball on the sixth.

Sisson gave away the first when at 5-all and leading 30-0, he twice double-faulted. This allowed Ball to grab four points in succession and a 6-5 lead. He had no trouble serving out the set.

Sisson was unperturbed and settled down in the next set to unleash some magnificent passing shots. He bought up the only service break in the second set in the fourth game and went on to a 6-3 win.

But the Sydney-sider allowed his opponent back into the match when he dropped serve while leading 5-3. It wasn't until the crucial 12th game that Ball was able to break back to take the match.

Sixth-seeded, South African Eddie Edwards battled for his 7-6, 5-7, 7-5 win over fellow American Jim Gurfein. Third-seeded American Tom Gullikson had a straight sets second round win against Australian Hans Hansson, Gullikson won 6-1, 7-5.

Western Australia's Johnstone has been the surprise of the tournament. He bundled eight-seeded Geoff Masters out of the first round and took just over 50 minutes to take his way into the quarter-finals with a crushing 6-1, 6-1 victory over American Craig Wittus.

Meanwhile, the prize-money for the 1981 Wimbledon Tennis Championships will be £297,796 (\$ 714,710), a rise of more than £20,000.

Tournament officials announced Tuesday that the men's singles winner would receive £21,600 compared with £20,000 in 1980. The women's champion would get £19,440.

Other title winners prize money: men's doubles (pair) £9,070 up £670, women's doubles £7,854, up £578, mixed doubles £4,770 up £530.

Including the contribution to the Grand Prix bonus pool Wimbledon's commitment this year will be £322,136 (\$773,126).

In Chicago John McEnroe and Jimmy Connors head an eight-man field in the \$50,000-dollar Challenge of Champions Tennis Tournament which begins Wednesday in the suburban Rosemont Horizon.

McEnroe is currently ranked the No. 2 player in the world with Connors No. 3.

In Champions' Trophy

Britain to replace India

By Shahid Orakzai
Arab News Correspondent

KARACHI, Pakistan, Jan. 7 — Champions' Trophy Tournament, world's third biggest event in field hockey beginning here Friday has assumed great significance this time in view of the Moscow Olympics boycott by the strong contenders.

India, which received its Olympic title almost on a silver plate, has kept out from the Champions Trophy, regarded here as a real test of supremacy. Britain has, however, stepped forward to fill India's place in the six-nation annual tournament to be played on single league system on the artificial turf at the Hockey Club Stadium here.

Participants, include world champions Pakistan, Holland, West Germany, Australia, Spain and England. With the exception of Spain, silver medalist at Moscow, all five hockey giants boycotted the Moscow Games.

Pakistan, which won the World Cup at Buenos Aires for a second time in 1978 has retained the Champions' Trophy ever since its introduction some two years back. Top

favorites in most international tournaments, Pakistan, were deprived of regaining the Olympic crown last year after their seven consecutive victories, that include the Esanda World Cup at Perth in 1979. Their youngsters also won the Junior World Cup in France last year.

However, the superfit Germans and sturdy Dutch have no less chances of claiming the Cup. The matches will be played on astro-turf which suits the hit-and-run game of the European teams and requires great stamina.

The homeseide have been in practice on the turf for the past few months, but pessimism prevails about their performance in the tournament specially after two senior players, including former skipper Munawar-uz-Zaman were dropped. Pakistan drew Kenyans 1-1 at Lahore, recently but hockey officials blamed the grassy ground.

The 35,000 capacity Hockey Club Stadium has been expanded for the tournament which would be attended by large number of visitors from abroad including Mr. Rene Frank, president of Federation Internationale de Hockey.

BRIEFS

NICE, France, (AFP) — Former motor racing world champion Jody Scheckter received a two-month suspended prison sentence and a 10,000 francs fine for punching a French motorist in the face last month. A Nice Court pronounced Scheckter, 1979 Formula one world champion from South Africa, guilty of voluntary and pre-meditated assault in an incident which occurred on the Promenade Des Anglais Dec. 10.

LONDON, (AFP) — Clinton McKenzie kept his British Light-welter Boxing Championship and earned himself a Lonsdale belt for his third successful defense of the title when he stopped challenger Des Morrison in 14 rounds here Tuesday night. McKenzie, 25, dumped his opponent with a sleeping left and the referee stepped in to stop the fight and prevent Morrison, 31, from receiving further unnecessary punishment.

MERANO, Italy, (AFP) — The ninth game in the Chess World Candidates final between West German Robert Huebner and Soviet exile Viktor Korchnoi was adjourned after five hours and 46 moves Tuesday. The game will be continued Thursday.

BREMEN, West Germany, (AFP) — Asian champions China won a women's International Volleyball Tournament here Tuesday when they beat the West Germans (15-3, 15-11, 15-10) in a gripping game in front of 1,600 spectators in the Bremen University Sports Hall.

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Keon is POC chief

MANILA, Jan. 7 (AFP) — Philippine amateur sports Wednesday ended a raging two-year controversy by electing Michael Keon as president of the Philippine Olympic Committee after he pulled out a surprise presidential decree granting him Filipino citizenship.

Defeated candidate deputy sports minister: Eipidio Dorotheo had earlier charged that the youthful Keon, 27, a nephew of Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos, was not qualified for the position because he was an Australian citizen.

As election rivalry reached its peak Wednesday, however, Keon produced a presidential decree which granted him Filipino citizenship dating back to March 9, 1980.

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Share second berth

Italy, Netherlands tie

MONTEVIDEO, Jan. 7 (R) — Italy and the Netherlands drew 1-1 and so share second place in Group "A" of the Gold Cup Soccer Tournament Tuesday. Uruguay had already won the Group, having beaten Dutch and Italians alike 2-0.

Italy had a flying start Tuesday, Carolo Ancelotti scoring after seven minutes with a low 30-meter shot. Within eight minutes the Dutch were level when Jan Peters lofted shot from 35 meters dipped under the Italian bar.

Both teams looked competent but lacked enthusiasm. Play was well balanced with neither side dominant for long.

The Netherlands played fluidly with flexible positioning. The Dutch kept very square

at the back and constantly caught the Italian forwards offside. Pierre Vermeulen was the most effective in attack, moving well on both wings. Ancelotti, Bruoc Conti and captain Giancarlo Antognoni showed some neat footwork for Italy but neither side gave the impression that they really deserved Uruguay's place in the final.

Ancelotti spent last Saturday's game against Uruguay on the substitutes' bench and owed his appearance Tuesday to the sending of two Italians in that game. Marco Tardelli and Antonio Cabrini were both suspended for one game.

Ancelotti took his goal calmly. As Italy built up an attack the ball came to him just outside the penalty area and he sent it past goalkeeper Pim Doesburg's outstretched left hand.

At the other end Peters was equally composed when he levelled the score. The Netherlands were advancing carefully but without much penetration when Peters put a neat right-footed shot over goalkeeper Ivano Bordon and into the top of the goal.

The rest of the half passed without serious alarms for either side. The second half saw more close chances but no more enthusiasm. Vermeulen and Antognoni both had thunderous drives saved. Graziani made one good move when he beat three defenders but Doesburg turned his low shot round for a corner.

The Netherlands attackers were left on several occasions without any midfield support as the rest of the team took their time coming out from defense.

Italy tended to leave just one man up front, relying on the speed of their forwards in counter-attack. Italy took off Conti at half-time for Salvatore Bagni. While Dutch manager Jan Zwaktruis switched Peter Arntz for Johnny Metgod and Rene Van De Kerckhof for Cees Tol but without great effect.

Arntz and Giampiero Marini were booked for heavy tackles and Gaetano Scirea went into the book for grabbing the shirt of a Dutchman who had beaten him.

Rain fell most of the day but the clouds parted just before kickoff, though the Centenario Stadium pitch was wet. About 20,000 spectators watched the game.

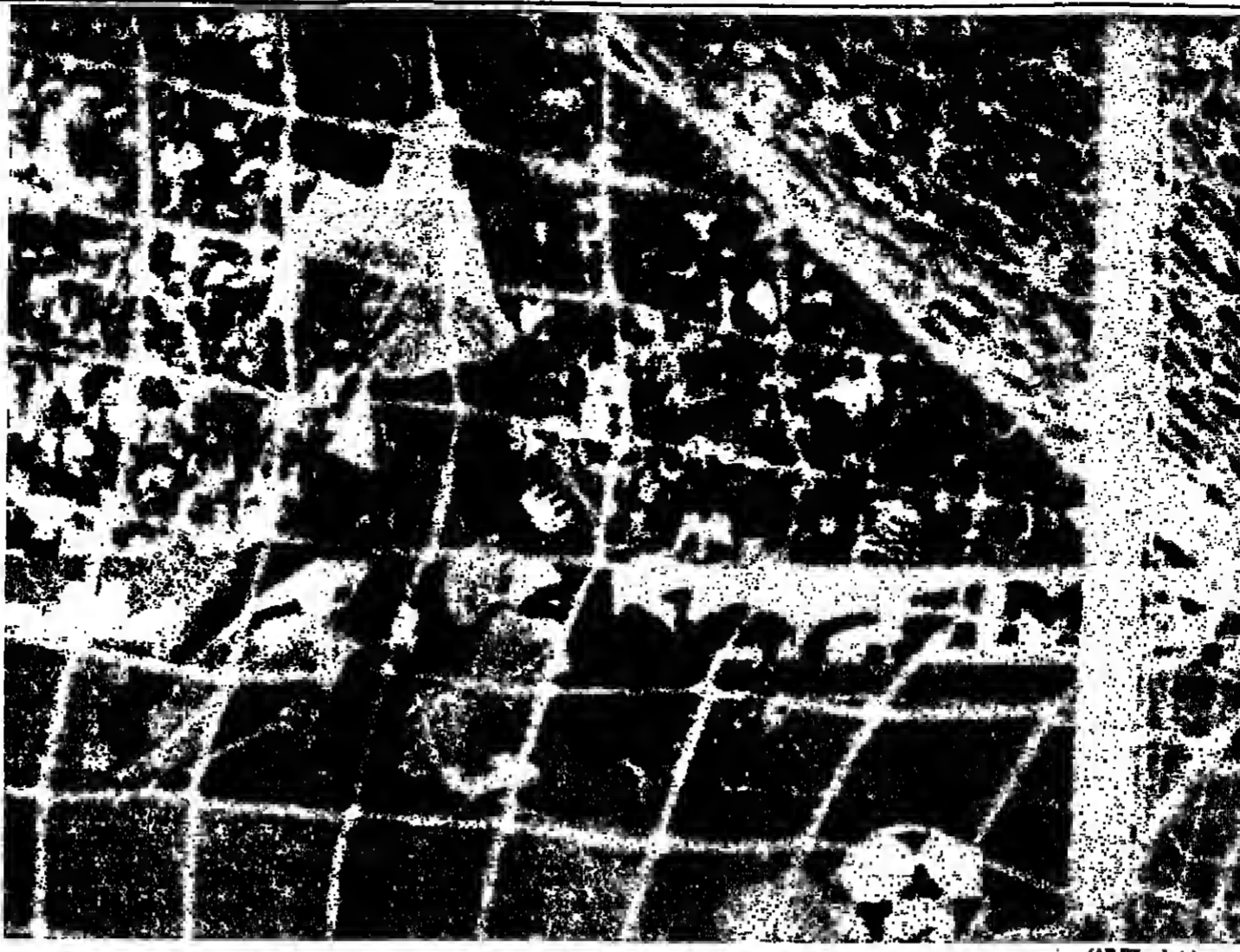
European champions West Germany, already eliminated from the competition, still have a crucial role to play when they meet Brazil in the final Group "B" match Wednesday.

A West German victory, or a draw, would clinch a place in the final for Group leaders Argentina, who have three points from their two games and a 3-2 goal record.

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VAIN BID: Italian goalkeeper Ivano Bordon dives in vain as Victorino gets the ball past him in Uruguay's 2-0 victory Saturday.

Webster wrests women's crown

COPENHAGEN Jan. 7 (AP) — Jane Webster of England upset her favored compatriot Gillian Gilks 11-7, 9-12, 11-9 to take the women's singles titles of the Copenhagen Cup International Badminton Tournament Tuesday night.

In a tournament of surprises, Indonesia's Lius Pongoh grabbed the men's singles title with a 15-10, 15-9 win over compatriot Hadianto.

Previous major upsets included the ouster of Denmark's all-England champion Leo Koepfen by unseeded Sally Leadbetter of England in the first round of the women's singles and a hard-fought three-set win by Hadianto over India's Prakash Padukone in the men's singles quarter-finals Sunday.

Hadianto, then proceeded to eliminate Denmark's Flemming Delfs in Monday's semi-finals while Pongoh ousted Morten Frost, currently Denmark's number one.

For Webster and Pongoh the titles carried first prizes of \$2,000, with Gilks and Hadianto taking \$1,000 each.

Gilks teamed up with Paula Kilvington to beat Nora Perry and Jane Webster 15-12, 15-8 in the all-English women's doubles final.

Another English pair, Mike Tredgett and Nora Perry, won the mixed doubles title, beating the Dutch couple, Ron and Marjan Ridder, 15-2, 15-6. Thomas Kihlstrom and Stefan Karlsson of Sweden beat Hartono and Hariyanto of Indonesia 15-10, 12-15, 17-15 in the men's doubles final.

Brito scores upset win

HASTINGS, England, Jan. 7 (AP) — Luzimar Brito of Brazil caused the surprise of round eight in the Hastings International Chess Congress Tuesday. Playing with the white pieces, he defeated the unbeaten Leval Albert, who defected to the United States from the Soviet Union, in 42 moves.

Albert retained his lead by half a point, having defeated Alf Anderson, of Sweden, who had to retire by the Britain's Tonathon Spearman in 27 moves.

Anthony Stein, of the U.S., scored his second win after four draws, beating Albert Bell in 32 moves. American John Peters drew with Murray Chandler, New Zealand, in 29 moves.

In extra time Francis nets winner for Nottingham

LONDON, Jan. 7 (AFP) — England striker Trevor Francis scored his fifth goal in as many games, since returning from a seven-month absence, to give European champions Nottingham Forest an extra-time victory over second division Bolton Wanderers in their F.A. Cup third round replay at Bolton Tuesday night.

Francis, who came back after surgery on a ruptured achilles tendon, scored the only goal of the game eight minutes from the end to earn Forest a fourth round home tie on Jan 24 against either Manchester United or Brighton.

Cup holders West Ham United were taken to a second replay by Wrexham. There were no goals at the Racecourse ground — the same fate that spectators suffered at Craven Cottage where Fulham drew with Bury.

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fifth-minute goal from Bishop and a mistake by on-loan goalkeeper Steve Cherry allowed King in for the second after 39 minutes. Ten minutes from time King set up the third for Howell.

Enfield visit fourth division Barnsley in the fourth round. Enfield's victory was matched by fourth division Wimbledon, who travelled to second division Oldham, and won 1-0. Striker Alan Cork provided the breakthrough with his 16th goal of the season five minutes from time.

Meanwhile, the English Football Association have reported to the commission for racial equality over its plan to ban Scottish fans from the England-Scotland match at Wembley in May.

The Scottish division of the National Federation of Supporters' Clubs, who have taken up the issue, expect to know within a month whether they have a case against the FA.

The FA has refused to allocate tickets to the Scottish fans and has instructed English Club and County Associations not to send tickets to Scottish addresses, following trouble at the last two matches at Wembley.

Antoni Piechniczek is the new coach of the Polish National soccer team, it was announced. Piechniczek replaces Ryszard Kulesza who quit two weeks ago after four of

his leading players had been disciplined. Zbigniew Boniek and Stanislaw Terlecki were each banned for a year and Wladyslaw Zmuda and Jozef Mlynarczyk for eight months following an airport row with Kulesza when the squad was setting off for a World Cup match in Malta last month.

Results

Carlisle	2	Mansfield	1
Cheshamfield	1	Peterborough	2
Coventry	1	Leeds	0
Enfield	3	Port Vale	0
Oldham	0	Wimbledon	1
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Clint may play for French club

LONDON, Jan. 7 (AFP) — Clint McGregor, who last year looked as if he would become the first black to play rugby union for England, has crossed the channel to play for a French club.

The Jamaican-born prop forward has not reported for training with his English club, Wasps, for some time and club officials understood he would be joining Angouleme, whose captain is the English international lock forward Maurice Colclough.

McGregor played for Middlesex and in last year's England trial he was widely expected to be selected. Instead, the selectors preferred Phil Blakeway for his strength in the tight. Blakeway became the regular front partner of Fran Cotton and this year McGregor failed to make the trial and Austin Sheppard and Gary Pearce were named replacements.

There are three new caps (Whitfield Salford), P. Harkin (Hull Kingston Rovers) and K. Dick (Leeds), in the England team for the under-24 Rugby League International against France at Villeneuve Saturday.

England are seeking their eighth consecutive win over France since the matches were revived in 1976.

Team: K. Mumby (Bradford Northern), D. Drummond (Leigh), J. Gilbert (Featherstone Rovers), C. Whitfield (Salford), S. Feotoo (Castelford), S. Evans (Featherstone Rovers), P. Harkin (Hull KR), S. O'Neil (Wigan), P. O'Neil (Salford), B. Case (Warrington), I. Potter (Warrington), K. Ward (Castelford), T. Flanagan (Oldham), Sub: K. Dick (Leeds), M. O'Neill (Widnes), or G. Van Belen (Bradford Northern).

Meanwhile, Jim Calder, the Stewarts Melville flanker, is the only new cap in the Scottish team to face France in Paris in their opening match in the five-nation Rugby Union Tournament Saturday.

Calder, a 23 year-old Edinburgh business executive who is one of four rugby-playing brothers, deposes former captain Mike Biggar in the back row.

Biggar, 31 led Scotland in their first three matches last season, but then lost the captaincy and his place when the team to face England was announced.

He was subsequently brought back when David Leslie pulled out, but full-back Andy Irvine stayed as captain and now keeps the job in France.

The Scottish selectors have gone for experience. Nine of the team that lost 30-18 to England are retained.

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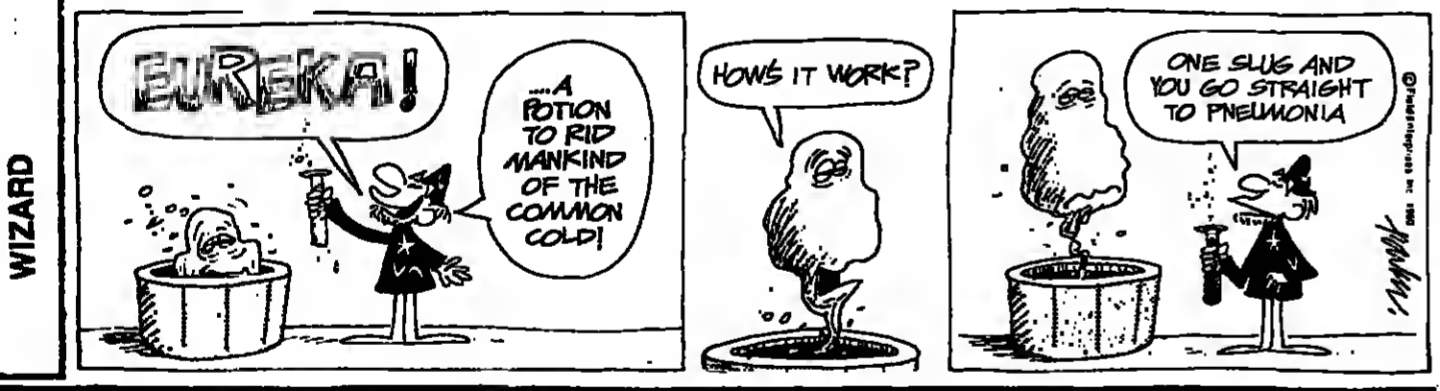
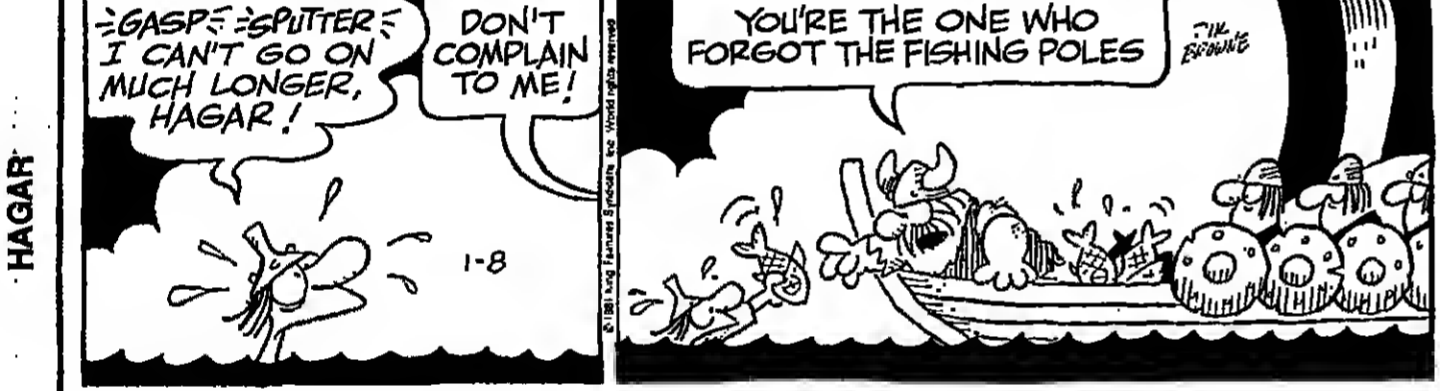
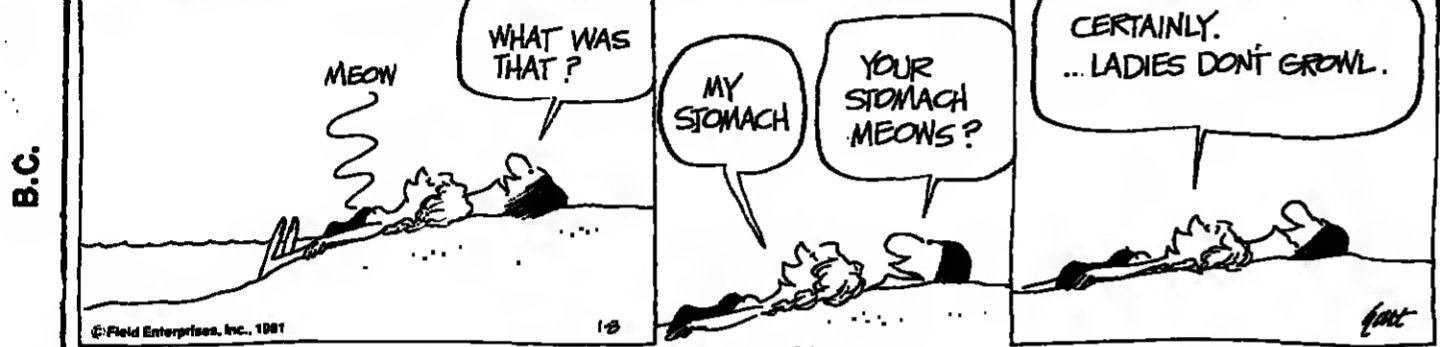
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ACROSS 39 Turned left, 1 Spanish room as a horse, 5 Cinderella's slipper material, 10 Gullet, 11 Arrange beforehand, 12 Starch (comb. form), 13 Rent payer, 14 "Squad", 15 New Guinea town, 16 - tree (baffled), 17 Undertaking, 19 Elaine - 20 Subside, 21 League, old style, 22 Marriage notice, 24 Stood up to, 25 Grafted (her.), 26 Late Italian statesman, 27 Belgian commune, 28 Mexican expletive, 31 Caddoxan Indian, 32 Devoured, 33 Soft (mus.), 34 Smitten, 36 Pastry treat, 37 Trapped, 38 Actress, Meara. DOWN 1 no nonsense, 4 Piercing tool, 5 Say "hi!", 6 Grassy ground, 7 Take over, 8 Absorption, 9 Went-gad-ding about-feeler, 11 Remember the face, 15 Camera feature, 18 Miss Marple love, 22 Rough; surly, 23 Lobster's gear, 24 Links cry, 26 Paired off - in (collapsed), 29 Carried, 30 Modify, 35 Mining find, 36 P.I., peasant.

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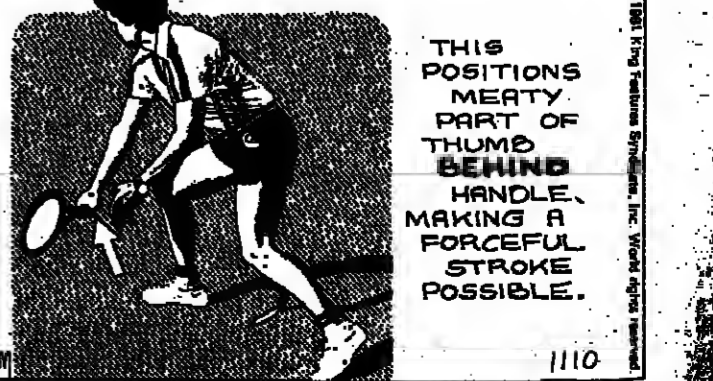
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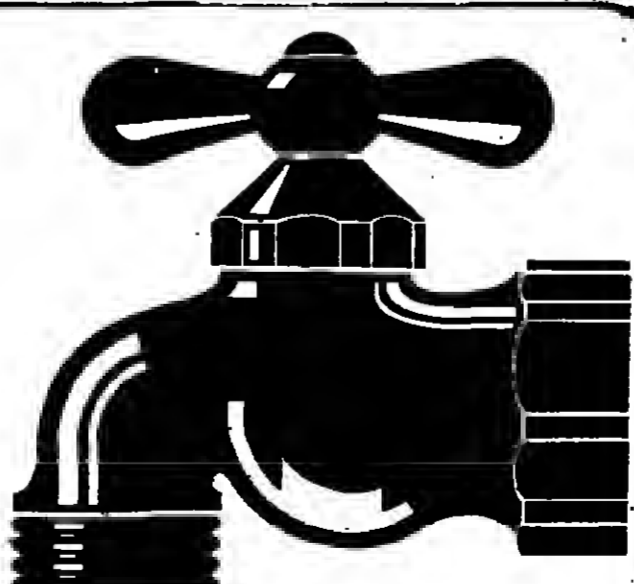
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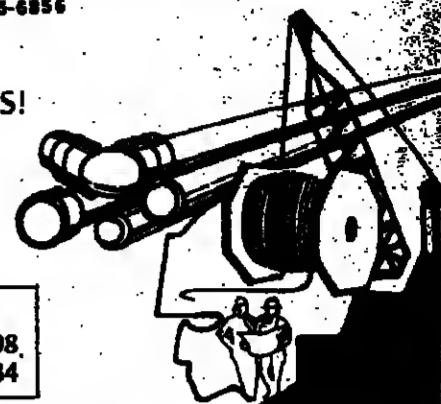


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U.N.-backed talks over Namibia begin

GENEVA, Jan. 7 (AFP) — Warring parties in the 14-year Namibian guerrilla conflict met for the first time in a United Nations conference hall Wednesday. U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim, who opened the conference, said the talks had an "excellent prospect" of laying the foundation for peace. Waldheim said he hoped that by the end of the conference next Wednesday, the South African-led delegation and that of the guerrilla South-West Africa People's Organization (SWAPO) would have agreed on a date for a cease-fire and on moving toward independence for Namibia before year's end.

If an accord were not reached, there was a strong possibility that the Namibian war — in which 1,500 people died last year — would "escalate and perpetuate itself" in a continuing "cycle of violence, hatred and destruction." Waldheim observed. The opening session started nearly half an hour late in the Palais des Nations. SWAPO delegates and their counterparts from South Africa and the South African-backed parties in Namibia filed in through opposite doors and there was no contact between the two sides.

Miss Shields tops list of worst-dressed women

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 7 (AFP) — Los Angeles dress designer Blackwell Wednesday published his annual list of the year's 10 worst-dressed women — a tradition he has upheld faithfully for 21 years. At the top was 15-year-old American actress Brooke Shields, who starred in the films 'Pretty Baby' and 'Just You and Me 'Kid'. Blackwell, who goes by his surname only, judged Shields far too provocatively attired for her age and said "her mother should be condemned for this."

As for Elizabeth Taylor — who this year, as in past ones was high up on the list — her makeup was much too dramatic, prompting the designer to remark: "I do not know one movie star who has worse taste."

Snow blocks Trudeau

VIENNA, Jan. 7 (AFP) — Canadian Prime Minister Elliott Trudeau was hobbled by fog and snow for the third consecutive day at Lech ski resort, in the Arlberg mountains, 470 km. east of here and has been forced to postpone important engagements. He was scheduled to see Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky Tuesday in Salzburg, only to discover that Lech was cut off completely from the rest of the country by appalling weather. Even an Austrian army helicopter was unable to rescue Trudeau and the Canadian official accompanying him.

Trudeau was due to arrive Wednesday in Algiers at the head of a delegation which is waiting for him in Vienna.

Rwanda minister flees

DAR EL SALAAM, Jan. 7 (AP) — Several western diplomats confirm reports that a Rwanda minister, who fled his country last week, is in Tanzania, although his whereabouts and status were not known. Radin Rwanda reported Monday night that Col. Alexis Kanyarengwe, minister of employment and public service, had fled the country for political reasons last week.

Fire at nuclear plant

CHERBOURG, Jan. 7 (AFP) — Work resumed normally Wednesday at France's nuclear fuel recycling plant at La Hague near here, following a fire overnight in a silo containing radioactive waste. The fire was extinguished more than 15 hours after it was discovered midday Tuesday when the interior of the underground silo was filled with nitrogen gas to smother the blaze. Firefighters were unable to use hoses because the fumes contained, caseium, which would have released explosive amounts of hydrogen from the water.

Italian author is dead

MURCIA, Southeast Spain, Jan. 7 (AFP) — Italian author Giuseppe Lanza del Vasto, 80, a noted disciple of Mahatma Gandhi, died in hospital here Tuesday of a stroke, a reliable source said here. He was known as the "Apostle of peace and non-violence" and founded the 'Order of the Ark' which runs a number of religious communities in Europe.

The diplomatic problem of when was to talk to whom was resolved without a fuss at the session, despite South Africa's previous objection to talking to SWAPO and SWAPO's to dealing with the internal parties. The delegation of Namibian parties, led by the South African administrator-general, sat in the front row on one side of the room with the South African "observer" delegation, led by Foreign Affairs Secretary Brand Fourie, behind. SWAPO led by its president Sam Nujoma, was opposite. Also in attendance were observer delegates from the six African front-line states and the five Western countries that helped negotiate the U.N. plan for a cease-fire and internationally supervised elections. Waldheim also greeted Jem Kodjo, secretary-general of the Organization of African Unity.

But Waldheim said that since all the parties had agreed in principle to the U.N. plan more than two years ago, "the problems remaining relate largely in one way or another to confidence-building among the parties. There was no indication what confidence-building measures might be discussed during the closed working sessions, although the South Africans reportedly want the constitution of independent Namibia to contain guarantees for the territory's 100,000 whites, about 10 per cent of the population.

Under the U.N. plan, the constitution would be drafted by the national assembly arising from elections, and the South Africans fear that SWAPO — believed to have popular support in northern Namibia and in Windhoek — would win. Military aspects of the plan could also be discussed. The prospective head of the U.N. cease-fire monitoring force, Gen. Prem Chand of India, was at the head table during the session, and observers noted that the delegation from Angola, which provides bases for SWAPO and has suffered as a result of South African incursions, was led by Angola's "SWAPO specialist" Interior Minister Alexandre Rodrigues.

The U.N. considers South Africa and SWAPO as the only full-fledged partners in the negotiations.

Waldheim said the conference was a historic event which permitted a solution not only for the benefit of Namibia but for the region as a whole.



GENEVA TALKS: West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher met Tuesday South Africa's delegates in Geneva on the eve of the Namibia conference. Picture shows (left to right) SA Ambassador to U.N. Eksteen, Counsellor of SA Ambassador, Danic Hugh, South Africa's administrator in Namibia, and Genscher.

Strike alert in Poland

WARSAW, Jan. 7 (R) — Delegates of the independent Solidarity Union from all over Poland met in Gdansk Wednesday to discuss concessions they want implemented by the government as pockets of industrial unrest simmered at opposite ends of the country. Top on the agenda was the question of Saturday working, which threatens to bring government and workers on a new collision course.

In southeast Poland workers and farmers occupying local government offices in protest against police harassment of unionists prepared to resume talks with the government after staging a one-hour warning strike Tuesday. Local union officials said the demonstrators were questioning the competence of the government delegation to sign an agreement. They said it did not contain a minister, as they originally demanded. In Jelenia Gora, western Poland, workers have called a strike alert for Jan. 22 to press

Strike alert in Poland

Workers demand minister's dismissal

demands that include the dismissal of a government minister, who was once Communist Party chief in the region. Other problems facing the Gdansk meeting were a new censorship law, the general release of a film on last year's strikes and the question of a union weekly newspaper.

The latest demands came only a few hours after the government held unannounced talks with the Solidarity leader Lech Walesa over union demands for an end to Saturday working. There was no word on the outcome. Solidarity's Warsaw branch has called on its members to disregard a government declaration that only every other Saturday would be made free. The union says it was promised all Saturdays off in talks last September.

According to the delegation from Jelenia Gora, workers there were also demanding investigation into the deaths of demonstrators during riots in 1970 and the expropriation of several buildings for Communist Party officials. They accused Stanislaw Ciosek, the Minister in charge of union affairs, of channeling funds meant for housing and floods control into costly construction projects for top officials during his five years as provincial party head. They are demanding his dismissal. The local union was also calling for the dismissal of some 20 local officials. The Solidarity delegation met Deputy Prime Minister Jerzy Ozdowski, who assured them that the government was already looking into some of their demands.

Moscow's action

Visa denied to actress 'as daughter is bad'

NEW YORK, Jan. 7 (AP) — Zoya Fyodorova, the Russian actress who landed in Stalin's prisons for falling in love with an American naval officer, has been denied a visa by Soviet authorities to visit the United States, her daughter reported Tuesday. Victoria Fyodorova said her mother, now 68, was told by visa officials in Moscow Monday that she could not make her fourth trip to America because "your daughter is bad." Victoria telephoned the Associated Press from her home in Stamford, Connecticut, after speaking by phone with her mother in Moscow.

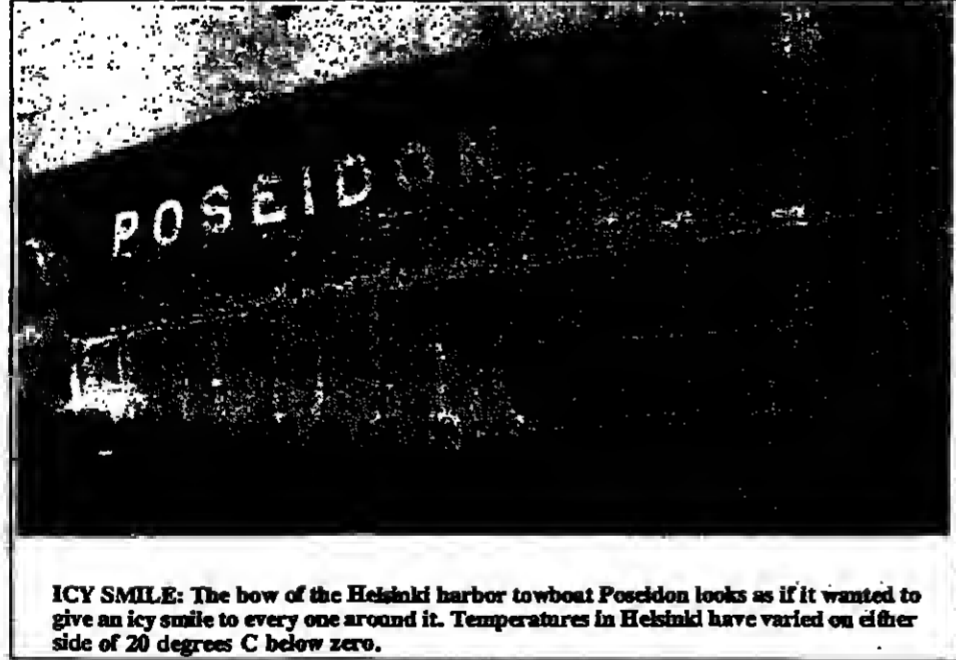
The daughter came to this country in 1975 to meet for the first time her father, Jackson Tate, a retired admiral who died two years ago. Victoria married an American airline pilot, the year she arrived and became a U.S. citizen. They have one son.

She said one visa official told her mother that Soviet authorities were upset about Victoria's book 'The admiral's daughter,' which related Zoya's wartime love affair. The book was published here in 1979, and Zoya has not visited — or applied for a visa — since then, Victoria said. Victoria also said her mother told her that "everyone was refused a visa" that day, speculating that there may be a new freeze on exits from the Soviet Union. "They're taking her away from me again, after 35 years," sobbed the daughter. Zoya met Tate, then a young naval captain assigned to help the allied war effort from Moscow, at a reception hosted by Foreign Minister Vyacheslav Molotov. They fell in love, arousing the wrath of Stalin and his secret police chief Lavrenty Beria. Zoya later said Beria had a crush on her, once sending her flowers, when she refused his advances, accompanied by the note: "Flowers are also for funerals." Tate was recalled from Moscow at the end of World War II, without knowing that Zoya was pregnant. The popular film actress was sentenced to death after Victoria was born, but the sentence was commuted to life in prison. Victoria was cared for by an aunt. Zoya was released in 1954 during the "thaw" years of Premier Khrushchev.

When Victoria, by then a well-known Soviet actress in her own right, learned her father was alive and living in Florida, she and her mother campaigned for a first meeting but

8 killed in snowslide

NIIGATA, Japan, Jan. 7 (AFP) — Eight persons died and three others were injured when their homes were buried in a snowslide in Simon village, Niigata prefecture, early Wednesday police reported. The police said 15 members of four households near the foot of the 450-meter Mt. Okura in Simon were buried under snow in the avalanche. Heavy snow has been falling in the area since late last year.



ICY SMILE: The bow of the Helsinki harbor towboat Poseidon looks as if it wanted to give an icy smile to every one around it. Temperatures in Helsinki have varied on either side of 20 degrees C below zero.

In Surinam

Vice-president is ousted

PARAMARIBO, Surinam, Jan. 7 (AP) — Surinam Vice-President Andre Haakoat was ousted Tuesday, authorities said here. Haakoat, who also served as minister of foreign affairs and minister of the army, was accused of having tried to divide the cabinet ministers and army chiefs and discourage cooperation between them.

This South American nation of about 350,000 people was placed under the rule of a civilian government appointed by the military after a group of disgruntled non-commissioned officers staged a coup last Feb. 25. The nine-member military council which appointed the government keeps watch and shares some powers, such as press censorship. In a second bloodless coup on Aug. 25, the

military purged its ranks of what it said were leftist plotting a coup. The constitution was suspended and Henk Chinaseo named president after Johann Ferrier was forced to resign for refusing to follow the military's instructions.

Haakoat, who was widely regarded as the moving force in the cabinet, refused to comment on his dismissal. In another development, two cabinet posts, which had been vacant for four months, were filled Tuesday.

Dollar up against yen

LONDON, Jan. 7 (AP) — The dollar rallied against the Japanese yen in heavy and active Tokyo trading Wednesday, spurred by reports that Iran was moving towards acceptance of U.S. proposals for release of the American hostages. There was also some profit-taking after the yen's recent sharp rise, dealers said. The dollar also improved in Europe while gold prices were lower everywhere.

The yen, which soared to a 23-month high Tuesday of 199.60 yen to the dollar, fell back Wednesday in busy trading with spot than sections totalling \$1.225 billion. The dollar closed at 201.25 yen.

Meanwhile, gold closed at \$592.68 a troy ounce in Hong Kong, down from 600.60 Tuesday. London's bullion houses fixed a morning recommended price of \$588.75, down from 601.50 at Tuesday's close. In Zurich, it traded at a median \$589.50 an ounce, down \$10. Gold finished at \$597 in New York late Tuesday. Silver was quoted in London mid-morning at \$15.98 an ounce, down from 16.55 the night before.

Good Morning

By Jihad Khazen

A few days ago, answering a polite knock at the door, I found myself face to face with a most distinguished looking gentleman. "Are you the owner of this house?" he asked. The Taxman! was my first panic stricken thought. What have I done? Or, more dangerously, what have I forgotten to do. "Yes," I answered with all the composure I could muster, preparing to deny all charges, Plead the Fifth, and swear my innocence, all in the same breath. "Can I help you?"

An ingratiating smile spread itself on the man's face. That's more like it, I thought. "No, no, sir," he said, "it is I who want to help you." Relief. No taxman ever volunteered to help anyone. Then worry. The man is selling something. "I beg your pardon," I said. (This is England after all — we say such things all the time here.) "I represent a distinguished British company which represent a distinguished American one. The product we sell ... Do let me finish, you will be enchanted by what I have to say." He said this as I started politely nodding my head and murmuring "thanks, not at the moment."

"The product will revolutionize your life, just think: No more English weather blues!" "Come right in," I said. After taxes, the most depressing thing here is the weather. But perhaps here is a solution at last: a ticket to a sunny tax haven... something like that.

He came in with a huge box, which he proceeded to unpack before I could say anything. He then started putting his strange contraption together, and in no time all was ready. Four large screens covered the four walls of the room and a machine was ready in the center. "There you are," he said. "Three minutes flat and the weather is yours to command. This is your Weather Machine."

"Heavens, you mean like H.G. Wells's Time Machine?" "Precisely. Just twiddle this knob and you have the weather you desire. Both vision and sound. Spring and its birdsong. Swish of skis in the winter snows. Summer on the seaside: Just listen to those waves ... And the cost is ..."

"Hold it right there," I said, sadly disappointed. "There is more to the seasons than a few sounds and pictures. Invent a machine to bring back the time that went with them. That summer in Beirut, that winter in the mountains nearby, that spring in the Bekaa valley the time we went and old ..."

I stopped there. Thanked the man, and told him to bring such a machine and do it quickly — never mind the price. Otherwise, all there is, and rightly, is the English winter ...

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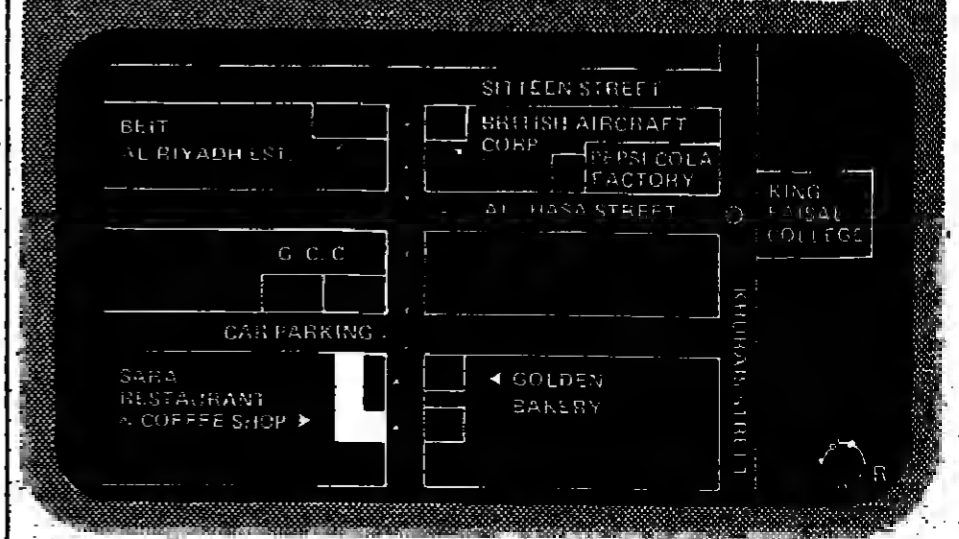
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